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Rio Olympic silver medallist PV Sindhu leaving for Tokyo from the New Delhi international airport on Saturday | SAI

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TOKYO 2020

FIRST POSITIVE CASE AT THE OLYMPIC GAMES VILLAGE

Organisers confirmed that a resident tested positive for Covid on Friday. The person has been isolated and situation is under control

SUPPORT THE ATHLETES: BACH URGES LOCALS

IOC president Thomas Bach, who is already in Japan, urged the locals to "welcome these athletes here for the competition of their life. I would like once more to ask and to invite the Japanese people, humbly, to welcome and support the athletes from around the world." The German also said fans could yet attend a few of the competitions if the situation improves

INDIAN CONTINGENT LEAVES FOR TOKYO

- The first batch of Indian athletes left for Tokyo from New Delhi late on Saturday. It included both hockey teams. Shooters who reached Saturday from Croatia, will begin training from Monday
- Rowers, sailors and weightlifter are already in Tokyo and have already started training as they have no quarantine protocols | **P15**

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NUMBER OF INDIAN ATHLETES WHO WILL BE IN ACTION AT THE GAMES

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Many contenders for the top post; Big announcement expected at BJP legislators' meet on July 26

No leadership change, says BSY, adds 'for now'

ANUSHA RAVI @ Bengaluru

"FOR now, I have been given the responsibility and I will work unitedly with everybody. For now, there is no confusion. National leaders have asked me to continue as Chief Minister and strengthen the party. It is our duty to do what they ask us to do," said Chief Minister BS Yediyurappa, speaking to reporters in Bengaluru after his two-day New Delhi trip.

The last 48 hours have been extremely action-packed and have kept the 78-year-old chief minister, his supporters as well as his baiters on their toes. Even as he vehemently denied reports of his resignation, Yediyurappa resigned to the fate to be decided by the party central leadership, reiterating that he has been asked to continue as chief minister 'for now'.

"Not at all. Not at all. Not at all," he said on Saturday morning when reports of his alleged resignation started surfacing. By Saturday evening, his pushback had lost some of its steam. Earlier in the day, he made back-to-back trips to meet BJP national president Jagat Prakash Nadda, Defence Minister and a close confidante Rajnath Singh and finally Home Minister Amit Shah. Every time he spoke to the media, he denied reports of his resignation. "All the meetings were fruitful. All our leaders expressed their desire for BJP to return to power in the State with more seats. I am committed to ensuring that. I have assured that we will work together to build the party," Yediyurappa said.

Chief Minister BS Yediyurappa greets Union Home Minister Amit Shah in New Delhi on Saturday

His stance is in line with the party's "amicable exit" strategy. In May this year *The New Sunday Express* had reported on how the BJP's Central leadership was looking for a smooth transition of power in Karnataka and Yediyurappa seems to have finally gotten on board with the plan.

While Yediyurappa's supporters insisted that he is here to stay and rumours of his resignation are untrue, the silence on the matter by the party Central leadership has emboldened other factions within the party. Party sources suggested that Yediyurappa's meeting with Prime Minister Narendra Modi was the last round of talks before making the shift in leadership official. They said that while Yediyurappa will be allowed to complete two years in office, he is set to cite his health as a reason to step down from the post and that he has also agreed to help the Central leadership find a replacement. **P4**

TIMELINE

- **FRIDAY EVENING:** CM BS Yediyurappa flies to New Delhi on a chartered flight
- **FRIDAY 7 PM:** He meets PM Narendra Modi
- **FRIDAY 8 PM:** He meets newly-appointed ministers from Karnataka
- **SATURDAY MORNING:** Reports of BSY's resignation surface
- **SATURDAY 10 AM:** Yediyurappa refutes reports
- **SATURDAY 11 AM:** He meets BJP national president JP Nadda
- **SATURDAY 11.40 AM:** He reiterates he hasn't resigned
- **SATURDAY 12.30 PM:** He meets Defence Minister Rajnath Singh
- **SATURDAY AFTERNOON:** He meets Home Minister Amit Shah
- **SATURDAY EVENING:** He returns to Bengaluru, says he will continue as CM for now

All our leaders expressed their desire for BJP to return to power in the State with more seats. I am committed to ensuring that — BS Yediyurappa, CM

Capt climbs down on Sidhu issue, gets his say in state Cong

RICHA SHARMA & HARPREET BAJWA
@ New Delhi/Chandigarh

MUCH to Punjab Chief Minister Amarinder Singh's displeasure, arch rival **Navjot Singh Sidhu** is expected to be named the new state Congress chief with AICC general secretary and trouble shooter Harish Rawat, after meeting Amarinder on Saturday, saying the chief minister would accept any decision taken by the party high command.

However, Amarinder's ostensible climbdown from Friday, when he wrote to party president Sonia Gandhi and strongly opposed Sidhu's likely appointment, came only after the chief minister extracted his pound of flesh, according to those privy to the developments.

Sources said the party will have two or three working presidents under Sidhu but the CM will have a say in their appointments, given a free hand in a cabinet reshuffle and the government's running and he will also play a key role in the campaign committees for the assembly elections. The working presidents are likely to be from Malwa, Magha and Doaba regions of the state. Amarinder is also understood to have insisted that he would not meet Sidhu until the Congress MLA publicly apologises for his uncharitable comments on social media against the chief minister and criticism of the state government.

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EXPRESS READ

Syrian Prez sworn in for 4th term

Damascus: Syrian President Bashar al-Assad was sworn in Saturday for a fourth seven-year term in the war-torn country, pledging to overcome the impact of Western economic sanctions and retake territory still out of his control after 10 years of fighting. **P12**

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July 17 **46,38,106 doses**
TOTAL DOSES **40,44,67,526**

NATIONWIDE	JULY 16	JULY 17
Fresh cases	38,949	38,079
Recoveries	40,026	43,916
Deaths	542	560

KARNATAKA	JULY 16	JULY 17
Fresh cases	1,806	1,869
Recoveries	2,748	3,144
Deaths	42	42

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US pilots new quad with Pak, Af & Uzbekistan

PUSHKAR BANAKAR @ New Delhi

AMID escalating tension between Kabul and the Taliban, the US on Friday said it would be part of a new quadrilateral diplomatic platform, comprising Afghanistan, Uzbekistan and Pakistan, working towards inter-regional trade and long-term peace in the war-torn nation. However, analysts say the new quad may have far-reaching ramifications for China, Russia and India, forcing them to tailor their diplomacy to suit the emerging geopolitical situations.

Russia-based American analyst Andrew Korybko said the bloc gives the view that Pakistan's version of multi-alignment is more successful than India's. "It makes the US a stakeholder in Pakistan's stability, which could lead to the US putting pressure on India not to destabilise it through proxy," he said. **P12**

Stormy Monsoon Session likely, Oppn to corner govt

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

THE Monsoon Session of Parliament, starting Monday, is likely to be a stormy affair with the Opposition seeking to corner the Treasury benches on a host of issues, including inflation, fuel price rise, Covid-19 management, farmer agitation, constitution of the ministry of co-operatives among others.

The agenda would be set during Sunday's all-party meeting called by Parliamentary Affairs Minister Pralhad Joshi to discuss key issues. The Opposition is expected to demand discussions on the handling of Covid-19 situation, rise in price, death of tribal activist Stan Swamy, controversial population control legislation by Uttar Pradesh government and Chief Justice of India's comment on the sedition law.

After the meeting, the leaders of the Opposition parties would get into a huddle to discuss coordination over key issues to be raised on the floor of the House. Rajya Sabha Chairman Venkaiah Naidu on Saturday held a meeting of floor leaders of various parties for coordination and seamless functioning of the Upper House. The floor leaders flagged issues needing detailed discussion during the session ending on August 13.

Meanwhile, Congress chief Sonia Gandhi has already asked senior leader Mallikarjun Kharge, who is the Leader of Opposition in Rajya Sabha, to reach out to other Opposition parties to garner support on common issues.

Over 10 pc of children in Anganwadis malnourished

RAMKRISHNA BADSESHI @ Kalaburagi

OVER 10 per cent of children below six years of age enrolled in Anganwadi centres spread across the state are found to be malnourished.

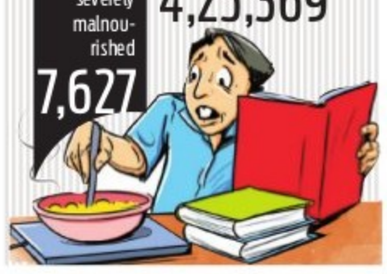
In the backdrop of the threat of a possible third wave, the State Government had conducted a survey in May to find out how many children were suffering from malnutrition and steps that needed to be taken to protect them from the pandemic. The survey found that 10.50 per cent of the surveyed 40,53,022 children are moderately malnourished and 0.19 per cent of children are severely malnourished. However, 89.32 per cent of the children are normal.

Of 4,25,369 moderately malnourished children, 1,92,377 (nearly 45 per cent) are from Kalyana Karnataka region, comprising Bidar, Kalaburagi, Yadgir, Raichur, Koppal and Ballari districts. Also, 3,356 or 51 per cent of 7,627 severely underweight children are from these parts of the State.

Belagavi district had the highest number of malnourished children -- 57,444 moderately malnourished and 658 severely malnourished. It is followed by Ballari, Raichur, Koppal, Vijayapura and Yadgir districts. Kodagu district has the least number of moderately underweight children at 3,356 and severely underweight children at 37.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Number of Districts covered for survey in the State: **30**
- Number of Anganawadis which conducted survey: **65,911**
- Number of children with normal weight and height: **36,20,026**
- Number of children severely malnourished: **7,627**
- Number of children moderately malnourished: **4,25,369**



Begin next academic year by Oct 1, UGC tells varsities

PEARL MARIA D'SOUZA @ Bengaluru

THE University Grants Commission (UGC) has asked universities to start their academic session for first-semester students by October 1, and to complete admissions by September 30.

If there is a delay in declaring results for qualifying exams, higher educational institutions can start the academic session by October 18. Vacant seats must be filled by October 31, and relevant documents of qualifying exams can be accepted till December 31. For first-year undergraduate and postgraduate students, universities have been asked to commence classes only after the declaration of CBSE, ICSE and state board results. "We expect all school boards to declare results by July 31," said UGC guidelines. **P7**

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• **Sunday:** 18/07/2021 • **Year:** Plava • **Ayana:** Dakshinayna
• **Ritu:** Greeshma • **Masa:** Ashada • **Paksha:** Shukla • **Tithi:** Navami 9.44 pm
• **Nakshatra:** Swathi 10.22 pm • Moon in Vrischika Rashi • **Rahukaala:** 04:30 pm to 06:00 pm
• **Gulikakala:** 03:00 pm to 04:30 pm • **Yamaganda:** 12:00 pm to 01:30 pm

WEATHER
MIN 22°C | MAX 26°C
FORECAST
Light showers. Overcast.

Sunrise	6.01 am
Sunset	6.50 pm
Moonrise	12.15 pm
Moonset	0.23 am

Eco-friendly areca trunk bridge in Karkala | MANU B NACKATHAYA

BUILDING GREEN BRIDGES

An artist from Karkala is promoting sustainable living, and reviving the culture of areca tree trunk bridges in villages. His philosophy being 'Keep it natural'

> Concrete bridges are permanent structures, and hunters can move inside forest areas easily. But arecanut tree trunk bridges are built only when necessary, and if villagers feel they need to access a certain area, the bridge can be dismantled and set up in another place to serve their purpose

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Purushotham Adve, founded 'Prachi Foundation' in Karkala

PRAKASH SAMAGA @ UDUPI

THE grey gash of a concrete bridge strikes a discordant note in the earthy shades of a rustic setting -- a sign of development which stands out like a sore thumb. It's not meant to be there, says Purushotham Adve, who spent his childhood in Karkala taluk, by streams and rivers running through the Western Ghats. There were no squat ugly bridges in his childhood memories, only natural crossovers built by experienced villagers -- often areca tree trunks slung together to form a bridge.

In an attempt to to set right the anomaly and stay true to the environs, Adve, an artist, decided to utilise the special skills of the people -- which they were handed down along with natural wisdom through the ages -- and the resources in abundance in the region.

A believer in sustainable living, **Purushotham Adve** (45) founded 'Prachi Foundation' in Karkala a year ago, to revive the culture of constructing areca tree trunk bridges. "I could see only concrete bridges everywhere, even where they were not necessary. They suppress the skills of village folk in constructing tree trunk bridges. With concrete occupying space in our minds, villagers too are forced to adjust to concrete. Bridges across small streams deep in the forests are not in sync with nature. Tree trunk bridges give job opportunities to villagers every two or three years, as these nature-friendly structures need to be replaced," Adve added.

Last year, Prachi Foundation built three bridges using arecanut trunks and creepers that have a variety of adaptations for attaching themselves to their host -- the areca tree trunk. Hundreds of areca trees die a natural death, so the Foundation decided to use the ones lying in plantations. Four types of creepers and cane are used to tie the trunks together, giving them strength. In fact, the bridges are strong enough to withstand the ravaging monsoon, and take the weight of cattle, two-wheelers and bicycles.

This year, two bridges were built, and two more will be built by Prachi Foundation, Adve added. Two volunteers of Prachi Foundation, along with 58-year-old Appanna, a resident of Maala, built the bridges. Appanna is an expert in selecting the creepers and estimating the quantity of tree trunk needed for constructing the bridge. The group members have built bridges measuring 25 feet long, which takes about two days to construct. "It all depends on the length of the bridge," says Adve.

He says it is political leaders who are interested in building bridges even across small streams, as a sign of 'development' -- quite unaware that by doing so, they are eroding the native culture and intrinsic skill of utilising the resources available locally. As development seeped into these hamlets over the past decade, many bridges began popping up.

Areca bridges have other uses too -- they deter people from going deep into the forest to hunt, and help preserve the pristine enviroment. "Concrete bridges are permanent structures, and hunters can move inside forest areas easily. But arecanut tree trunk bridges are built only when necessary, and if villagers feel they need to access a certain area, the bridge can be dismantled and set up in another place to serve their purpose," says Adve.

He stresses on the role of nature in the villagers' lives. "The skills they acquire to make a living, resonate with nature. Be it constructing a house, or infrastructure like bridges or culverts, the minds of rural people ensure that the end result is in sync with their natural setting," says Adve.

Taking this philosophy forward, Adve holds 'sustainable living camps' in interior parts of Karkala for schoolchildren from cities. Here, they mingle with rural children and learn the nuances of village life.

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THE METAL ARTIST

Adve is an artist who knows metal crafting too, and has tried to reinvent this art by training budding artists. He has created handmade face shields for Tulunadu Daivas, who would earlier get only factory-made metal shields. Underlying his passion for these rustic arts is the urge to keep skills alive among village folk, and he also holds training programmes to revive them.

In his ventures, he is supported by his wife Shashikala, a banker. Son Avani Krishna is in Class 9, and daughter Dhathri is in Class 2.

Recycling kindness

Researcher Syed Baker selling e-waste to help the underprivileged in Mysuru on Saturday | UDAYSHANKAR S

AJITH M S @Mysuru

AS the pandemic ravaged the world, it threw up one little golden nugget of truth: that humanity is alive and well. People reached out to each other, to offer succour and comfort. Many came forward to feed the needy, and one group of people in Mysuru went a step ahead and coupled their Good Samaritan efforts with recycling waste, thereby helping the planet too.

A 34-year-old researcher, Syed Baker, and his friends have been distributing groceries and food packets to many families since the first wave of Covid hit the country. Syed, who returned from Russia during the pandemic, said, "I came across two women who had lost their father to suicide years ago. They, along with their mother, were surviving by doing odd jobs with caterers, but were left with no work when the pandemic struck. We helped them by supplying grocery kits. It made us realise how badly people were struggling."

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Syed Baker, researcher

However, the second wave made it worse for families like these. With more and more people getting affected by the pandemic, it became difficult as Syed's own finances, along with that of his friends and donors, were drying up. "One day, we sold our old devices and gadgets to buy grocery kits. That is when we thought of using unwanted things as a source of funding," he added.

The researcher, who has co-invented an AI-based social distancing and pandemic-detecting sensor, as well as a disinfecting device, says the initiative came into being in May 2021. The group reached out to their donors, friends and families to collect e-waste, old newspapers, books, packaging material and old clothes. "We would visit homes and collect recyclable goods. MB Roadways, a transport company, helped us with a vehicle. We segregated the items to sell them separately to vendors," Syed added. Since then, the group has been collecting recyclable waste — especially e-waste, paper and discarded online shopping packaging material and clothes.

Eventually, they started receiving help from many other friends, including Chethan Vishwanath of Rotary — that is taking the initiative forward with the help of Helping Hands, an NGO. Later, Nrisimha Datta Sai Peethika Seva Trust also pitched in to help.

Syed says this initiative made him realise the importance of recycling. "Yes, the money from selling recyclable material aided us in helping many others, but it also made us realise the excesses we take for granted. For example, among the items we collected, packaging material from e-commerce orders was one of the largest in quantity — a major part of it recyclable. They would otherwise be dumped as waste, that too unsegregated, with some of it clogging drains," he added.

"People discard electronic devices easily, which end up constituting a huge part of waste generated in cities. Nowadays, people are quick to buy a new television when the old one develops even a minor snag. We were able to sell these discarded television sets at a good price as they were up and running after some repairs," he said.

So far, the group has distributed food packets to over 600 families with the money from the recycling initiative, and regularly supply groceries to at least 24 families — some which had lost their breadwinner and others whose incomes were hit during the pandemic. When most of the lockdown restrictions were lifted, they were also able to buy large umbrellas for the vendors whom they had helped restart business.

They are also focusing on recycling material responsibly. "As old books can't always be sold to scrap paper vendors, we sometimes send them to second hand booksellers," said Syed.

OUT-OF-BOX SOLUTIONS

LALBAGH FLOWER SHOW MAY BE SPREAD ACROSS PARK THIS YEAR

BOSKY KHANNA @ Bengaluru

THE most-awaited Lalbagh flower show may be held this year, but in a different way. Instead of hosting it at the Glass House, the officials from the horticulture department are planning to host it across the botanical gardens.

Due to lockdown and Covid restrictions, the flower show could not be held in August last year and January this year. So, to not disappoint visitors, the officials are thinking of hosting it with different themes across Lalbagh.

"Normally, scores of people gather in one place. If we try to hold a similar show this year, then we wouldn't be able to adhere to Covid protocols, specially, social distance. So, we are thinking of spreading the show across Lalbagh, with different themes," Rajendra Kumar Kataria, Secretary, horticulture department, told The New Indian Express.

The officials are holding meetings and discussing how the area, the heritage trees and different parts of the botanical garden can be used and different themes be created. The officials are also thinking if the tree parks and other mini-Lalbaghs can be utilised for the flower show.

"The flower show has its own charm and historic importance, so, efforts are being made to host it. We are worried that with most people working from home and schools and colleges closed, the rush will be more," another horticulture department official added.

Heritage building of Govt PU College to get makeover

PEARL MARIA D'SOUZA @Bengaluru

THE 98-year-old heritage stone building of the Government Pre-University College and High School at Malleshwaram 18th Cross, which hosts about 2,000 students, will soon get a facelift.

The Hhigher Education Department had been looking for collaborators to revamp the building and found one in the Jain Group of Institutes. Institute chairman Dr Chenraj Roychand is said to have responded favourably to Deputy Chief Minister Dr C N Ashwath Narayan's proposal for carrying out the renovation.

College Principal Ratnakara Shetty told The New Sunday Express that the school had 1,739 students in PUC and about 150 in high school till last year. The PUC section was started in 1972, while the high school division started in 1923. "The Deputy CM himself studied in the high school for about six months," Shetty said.

Block Education Officer (BEO) Uma Devi told TNSE that the building has windows as tall as five feet, which need to be repaired. The floors also need a lot of polishing. "The plans for repair are under way. It's great that such a heritage building is getting renovated. This will set a precedent for other such government buildings," she said and added that over the past two years, the college and high school has started accommodating girl students as well.

"The building has a total of 22 rooms, of which 12 are classrooms and the rest are labs and offices," she said. When renovations are under way, the students can be either shifted to one section of the building, or to the new building, which is right behind the heritage one.

An official from the Higher Education Department said that as per estimates from experts, the renovations will cost around Rs 4 crore and will take at least a year.

The PUC division began in 1972, while the high school started in 1923

SC directs BDA to stop illegal constructions in Karanth Layout

S LALITHA @ Bengaluru

THE Supreme Court has ordered the Bangalore Development Authority (BDA) to put an end to constructions that came up in the Dr Shivaram Karanth Layout after August 3, 2018. Buildings constructed beyond this cannot be regularised and are liable to be demolished, the court decreed.

A division bench comprising Justice S Abdul Nazeer and Justice Sanjeev Khanna on July 14 called upon the state government to provide BDA with seven engineers within a fortnight to assist it. The bench mandated deputing an executive engineer, two assistant executive engineers and four assistant engineers, to the authority.

The court pointed out that in its earlier order on December 3, 2020, it had asked the BDA to carry out satellite imagery of the layout within three days and to conduct the exercise on a monthly basis to identify new constructions that crop up. "Despite the order, new constructions have been coming up in the land proposed for acquisition to form the layout," it pointed out.

Coming down heavily on BDA for not taking possession of land in the layout as directed by it, the court directed it to speed up the acquisition process and submit a report in a fortnight.

The Justice A V Chandrashekhar Committee appointed by it to facilitate regularisation of legal constructions that have come up in the layout prior to August 3, 2018, had also been asked by the apex court to give the status report on 17 smaller layouts within it that had been approved by the BDA earlier.

As many as nine Covid-positive students have enrolled to write SSLC exams in various parts of Dakshina Kannada district. An official said ambulances will be arranged to pick up and drop them from their houses

TRACKING COVID-19

SPEED AND RISE OF COVID-19 CASES IN KARNATAKA

1,869 CASES REPORTED TODAY

TALLY STANDS AT: TODAY 28,82,239 | YESTERDAY 28,80,370

1,806 CASES REPORTED YESTERDAY

DEATHS: TODAY 42 | YESTERDAY 42

The first Covid-19 case in Karnataka was reported on March 8, 2020. Since then until July 17, 2021, a total of 28,82,239 cases have been reported in 1 year and 127 days...

DISCHARGES: TODAY 2,748 | YESTERDAY 2,748

Active cases

TODAY 30,082

YESTERDAY 31,399

POSITIVITY RATE

TODAY 7.84%

YESTERDAY 7.87%

The day positivity rate -1.30% is calculated as the number of patients testing positive out of 100 tests conducted only in a day.

MORTALITY RATE

TODAY 1.25%

YESTERDAY 1.25%

RECOVERY RATE

TODAY 97.70%

YESTERDAY 97.65%

DISTRICT-WISE COVID CASES

LAST 24 HOURS

432 BENGALURU URBAN

46 BENGALURU RURAL

Bagalkot	4
Ballari	11
Belagavi	97
Bidar	1
Chamarajanagar	15
Chikkaballapur	13
Chikkamagaluru	101
Chitradurga	15
Dakshina Kannada	218
Davanagere	21
Dharwad	24
Gadag	0
Hassan	173
Haveri	14
Kalaburagi	6
Kodagu	51
Kolar	46
Koppal	1
Mandya	37
Mysuru	207
Raichur	3
Ramanagara	11
Shivamogga	83
Tumakuru	92
Udupi	94
Uttara Kannada	49
Vijayapura	2
Yadgir	2

Beware, K'taka may see third wave by August-end

People must not let guard down, avoid superspreader events: Experts

CHETANA BELAGERE @ Bengaluru

WHILE there are speculations about the onset of a third wave of Covid-19, experts believe that the country is at the tailend of the second wave but warn that Karnataka may see the next wave soon. "It is still the continuation of the second wave in most states since there is no intermittent period of lower circulation levels. Given the continuing circulation in rural and urban areas, which hitherto had lower seroprevalence, it suggests that the disease is expanding widely," said Dr Giridhara Babu, epidimeologist and member of Technical Advisory Committee.

Dr Gagandeep Kang, renowned virologist, Professor of Microbiology, CMC Vellore, believes that we are at "the tail end of the second wave."

In Karnataka, explaining that though the number of cases are on the decline, Dr Manjunath C N, Director, Sri Jayadeva Institute of Cardiovascular Diseases and Research said the authorities must take note of what relaxations are being given and added that people should avoid creating superspreader events. "There is no way we can get complacent. Karnataka has not seen an onset of third wave yet. But we may soon start to see such trends," he said.

A student receives the Covid vaccine in Bengaluru on Saturday | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

Dr Shashikiran U, Professor and Head of General Internal Medicine at Dr TMA Pai Hospital, Udupi, says this is probably the end of the second wave and also the likelihood of the start of the third wave. "Even in July last year, when we thought we won't see another wave, we saw a similar pattern. I think we are at the arrival of the third wave and we may not see a gap between the two waves. There was a strict lockdown last time, but this time that's not there."

Dr Vishal Rao, Dean, Centre for Academic Research, HCG Hospitals, and member of Genome Sequencing Committee, said the signatures of the past waves, epidemiologically or genomically, shows the first wave was driven by the D614G variant and the second by the Delta variant. "I believe that there will be another third wave which will be caused by the Delta variant which could genomically be synonymous to the second wave or may be an extension of it. But, if the third wave is going to see a signature of a completely new variant, which is part of the evolution of the Delta, then it is going to be more worrisome," he said.

"We must now keep our eyes on where and how the plateau has been achieved. Was it due to a forced lockdown-kind of scenario? As of now, we have been able to keep the number of cases low only due to the implementation of socio-economic intervention by the government, which was behaviourally induced through a forced lockdown," he said.

Dr Rao believes that the third wave might hit us by August third week, considering that the jump time of the Delta variant has been from around 3% to 30% in two months. "We have already passed the 15 days of the two-month period we have. So, my estimation from the fact that our vaccination has been slow, virulence of the variant has not reduced and now with the state in unlock mode, we will see the third wave by the end of August."

SPREADING TENTACLES

Cases rising in some wards, Palike to hold micro study

BOSKY KHANNA @ Bengaluru

WHILE Covid-19 cases are on the decline in the city, some wards are not on the same path. The Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) and health officials noted that there has not been a decline in Bommanahalli, Mahadevapura and East Zones. This has become a matter of concern and officials are now working on micro-analysing the issue to ascertain the trend.

The staffers at the central and zonal war rooms are tracking the trends. According to the Covid bulletin over the last 10 days, cases are being reported from Bellandur, Kuvempu Nagar, Horamavu, Uttarahalli, Singasandra, Hagadur, Varthur, Agara, Hoodi and Hemmigepura.

Palike health officials stated that the positivity rate in Bommanahalli, Mahadevapura and East Zone is around 1.5 to 1.8 per cent, while the positivity rate in Bengaluru is around 0.68 to one per cent.

"We have decided to go back to the old containment format. We will put up posters outside houses where there are Covid-positive people and stamp the primary and secondary contacts. We are waiting for the final nod from the government to go ahead with this," the official said and explained that this is required as citizens are "taking things for granted".

Palike Chief Commissioner Gaurav Gupta told *The New Sunday Express* that each and every area needs to be analysed separately. "The situation will be different for each case.

It may be because of the migrant population or because of people moving around. We are assessing the situation to find a logical solution," he added.

Top 10 wards with most cases

Horamavu, Bellandur, Kuvempu Nagar, Uttarahalli, Hoodi, Varthur, Hagadur, Agara, Hemmigepura, Singasandra

Top 10 wards with least cases

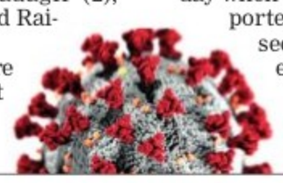
Muneshwara Nagar, Bharathi Nagar, Subhash Nagar, Sudhama Nagar, Lingarajapuram, Chickpet, Padarayanapura, Rayapura, Chalavadipalya, Gali Anjaneya Temple

NO NEW COVID-19 CASES IN GADAG, NUMBERS DROP TO SINGLE DIGITS IN 7 DISTRICTS

CHETANA BELAGERE AND RAGHU KOPPAR @ Bengaluru, Gadag

FOR the first time in four months, Gadag district has reported zero Covid-19 cases and zero deaths. As per the data released by the Health Department on Saturday, six districts in the state have recorded less than five fresh cases and six districts have single-digit deaths. Gadag witnessed its peak of Covid-19, black fungus cases and deaths in April, and 172 deaths in the last four months.

Some of the other districts which recorded single-digit cases on Saturday are Bagalakot (4), Bidar (1), Koppal (1) Vijayapura (2), Yadagir (2), Kalaburgi (6) and Raichur (3).



However, there has been a slight increase in the total number of new infections in the state, with 1,869 new cases on Saturday when compared to 1,806 reported on Friday. This was seen in some urban areas like Bengaluru with 432 on Saturday, as opposed to 411 on Friday. Mysuru had recorded 174 new infections on Friday while it witnessed a rise with 207 cases on Satruday. Hassan too, which had reported 138 on Friday, saw an increase at 173 new cases on Saturday.

Experts have raised concerns over a slow increase in the number of new infections in some of the tier two cities. "While continuing to do more tests, isolating patients immediately upon the onset of symptoms and efficient tracking will help in reducing the burden on healthcare in these districts. We must not be complacent, assuming that there are no cases now. Covid norms must continue," said a health official.

The number of deaths in the state has remained the same as on Friday at 42. The daily case fatality rate has come down from 2.32% to 2.24% while the day's positivity rate was 1.30%.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that our client intends to purchase the property described Schedule hereunder from its lawful owner **Mr. SOORYAKANTH**, S/o Mr. Manjunath, aged about 45 years, R/at No.2, Priya Nivasa C/o P. Shivakumar, Talagattapura, Kanakapura Main Road, Bangalore - 560062, who are the absolute owner of the same and our client Smt. Manjula .G, W/o Narayana G. is the Purchaser of the same.

Any person or persons other than the Vendor having any claim or interest in or to the Schedule Property, or any part thereof in any manner is are required to forward their claim on or to the property to the undersigned at their office along with the relevant documents thereof, within Six (6) days from the date of Publication of this notice in this newspaper. In the absence of any claims within the above said period, it shall be deemed that there are no such claims or that if there are any claims and they have not been made it shall be deemed to have been waived and our client will proceed with the transaction without any further reference in this regard.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of Schedule Property (Land Mark) Site No. 54, old V.P. Khata Sl. No. 643, New V.P Khata Sl. No.701/693/54, Katha Property No. 36, situated at B M Kaval Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Agara Grama Panchayath Limits, Village Name: Badamanavarte Kavalu, Bangalore 560082 measuring East-West: 40 ft and North-South: 30 ft of site in all Total Measurement 1200 sq ft and bound as follows: **East by:** Site No. 13, **West by:** Road, **North by:** Site No. 55, **South by:** Site No. 53.

Narayanaswamy .G. Advocates
Jaitra Associates
Pramila Amith Complex, 2nd Floor, Near Metro Pillar, No. 95, Rajiv Gandhi Road, Kanakapura Road, Jaraganahalli, Bangalore-560010. Land 080-48501051; Mob: 9620074661
Email: narayangr23@gmail.com
Date: 14.07.2021

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is given to the public that **1) Mrs. Imambi 2) Mr. Syed Anwar 3) Mr. M. Azeej @ Ajij @ Aziz,4)Mrs. Shainataj @ Shaheena 5) Mrs. Mubeen Taj @ Mubintaj, 6) Ms. Thajuna @ Tajuna and 7) Mr. Baba Jan S.M,** wife and children of late Mehaboob Sab, residing at 48, Doddasagarahalli Village, Vijapura Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, are the absolute owners of all that piece and parcel of agricultural land measuring 2 Acres 20 Guntas, situated in Old Sy.No.22/P6, New No.178 of Doddasagarahalli Village, Vijayapura Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore, (Schedule Property) and have entered into an agreement to sell dated 30.08.2016 in favour of our client.

The aforementioned Vendors have represented to our client that the Original Title Document/ Saguvali Chit bearing No.LND.RUC.SR.94-95-96(V)-3G/94-95 in Sl.No.72/94-95 dated 4th July 1996, issued by the Tahsildar, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, in favour of Sri.Mahaboob son of Hyder Sab, in respect of the Schedule Property is misplaced and not traceable.

All persons are hereby informed not to deal or carry out any transactions with anyone on the basis of the said missing document. Any person(s) claiming any right, title or interest over the schedule property on the basis of the custody of the aforementioned document, or otherwise, is called upon to lodge such claim with the undersigned within **15 days** from the date of this publication. In the event, no such claim(s) is received within the stipulated time, it would be presumed that no valid claim(s) subsists on the basis of the custody of the aforementioned documents, or otherwise, and our client would not be bound by any claims lodged after the said period.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of Agriculture land measuring 2 Acres 20 Guntas, situated in Old Survey No.22/P6, New No. 178 of Doddasagarahalli Village, Vijayapura Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District and bounded on the :- **East by** : Property of Venkatappa, **West by :** Property of Sri.Vaji Vajir Basha, **North by** : Hurulagurki Village Border, **South by :** Property of Sri.Narayanaswamy.

Shri. RAJESH CHANDER KUMAR, Advocate
M/s. Chander Kumar & Associates
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VISVESVARAYA JALA NIGAMA LIMITED
(Government of Karnataka Enterprises)
Uppar Bhadra Project, Div. No.5, Chitradurga.
Ph/Fax: 08194-230102 E-Mail: eeubp.d5cta@gmail.com
No.: EE/UBP/VJNL/UBP/Div-5/CTA/Natural Calamities/Tender/ Corrigendum-2/2021-22/392 Date: 08.07.2021

SHORT TERM E-TENDER CORRIGENDUM-2 NOTIFICATION
(Only Through E-Procurement Portal)

Due to technical reasons, 04 works (indent No. VJNL/2021-22/RT/WORK_INDENT1654, VJNL/2021-22/RT/WORK_INDENT 1655, VJNL/2021-22/FP/WORK_INDENT1656 and VJNL/2021-22/FP/WORK_INDENT1657). calendar events of this office Short term e-tender Notification No. EE/UBP/VJNL/DIV-05/ CTA/Natural calamities/Tender/2020-21/1680 to1683 Date: 31.03.2021 have been rescheduled as mentioned below. (1) Last Date & Time for Tender Queries/Clarifications: 05.08.2021 up to 17:00 PM (2) Pre-Bid Meeting Date: 06.08.2021 at 11:00 AM, Venue: in the office of Chief Engineer, VINL UBP Zone, Chitradurga (3) Last Date & Time for receipt of tenders up to 10.08.2021 up to 04:00 PM (4) Date & Time for Opening of Technical Bid: 11.08.2021 04:30 PM onwards (5) Date & Time for Opening of Financial Bid: After Approval of technical bid. For more details please contact 08194-230102 during office hours. Bidders are requested to get updated with the corrigendum / addendum (if any) issued on line in the entire tender process at website www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in.

RO No. 268: DIPR/CTA/MCA/2021-22 **Sd/- Executive Engineer**

CITY UNION BANK LIMITED
Credit Recovery and Management Department
Administrative Office : No. 24-B, Gandhi Nagar, Kumbakonam - 612 001. **E-Mail id :** crmd@cityunionbank.in, **Ph :** 0435-2432322, **Fax :** 0435-2431746

PUBLICATION - DEMAND NOTICE

Notice under Section 13(2) of The Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 - Sent on **06-05-2021** by Registered Post with Acknowledgement Due and the same was **returned by all.** Hence this.

No.1) Mr. K.S. Avinash, S/o. Late. K.R. Sathish, No.A-3, Guru-Krupa Residency, 6th Cross, 9th Main, Gururaja Layout, B.S.K 3rd Stage, Bangalore South, Bangalore - 560085. No.2) Mrs. B.P. Nagarathna, W/o. Late. K.R. Sathish, No.A-3, Guru-Krupa Residency, 6th Cross, 9th Main, Gururaja Layout, B.S.K 3rd Stage, Bangalore South, Bangalore - 560085. No.3) Mr. A Vishwantha, S/o. Jayaramaiah, No.160, 2nd Main, 2nd Cross, Behind Karumariyamma Temple, Kamalanagar, Bangalore North, Basaveshwaranagar Bangalore North, Karnataka - 560079.

Dear Sir/ Madam,

Sub: Loan account / Overdraft with City Union Bank Limited, R.T. Nagar Branch in the name of Mr. K.S. Avinash.

The Bank issued notice under the SARFAESI Act on **06-05-2021** calling upon all of you to repay the outstanding amount of **Rs.53,16,644/- (Rupees Fifty Three Lakh Sixteen Thousand Six Hundred and Forty Four Only)** as on **28-04-2021** with further interest for 501312030014159 (SWAYAM GRIHA - SAL BR) at **11.50%** plus **2.00%** penal interest p.a (not compounded) with monthly rests from **29-04-2021** till the date of repayment. The notice sent to you by Registered Post have been **returned by all.**

Therefore, we hereby once again call upon you all to pay **Rs.53,16,644/- (Rupees Fifty Three Lakh Sixteen Thousand Six Hundred and Forty Four Only)** with further interest for 501312030014159 (SWAYAM GRIHA - SAL BR) at **11.50%** plus **2.00%** penal interest p.a (not compounded) with monthly rests from **29-04-2021** till the date of repayment within 60 **days** from the date of this notice failing which Bank will be Constrained to exercise its rights of enforcement of security interest as against the secured assets given in the schedule hereunder. This Notice is published/issued without prejudice to any other right / remedy available to the Bank.

Immovable Property Mortgaged to our Bank
(Property owned by Mr. K.S. Avinash, S/o. Late K.R. Sathish)

All that piece and parcel of Residentially converted Vacant Site bearing No.7, Old Khatha No.193, present Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, New Municipal No.730/253/254/11/7, formed out of the Residentially converted Survey No.11, situated at Singasandra Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, 192 Ward of BBMP, measuring East to West 91'8", North to South 103 feet, in all 9,455.4 square feet together with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface. Boundaries : East by : Private Property, West by : 30 feet Road, North by : Private Property, South by : Krishnappa's Property. Schedule-B, Apartment bearing No.407 in Fourth Floor in the building NEHA SADAN to be constructed on Schedule-A property measuring 1,250 sq.feet of super built up area containing 2 Bedrooms, Hall, Dining and Kitchen, one Covered Car Parking along with proportionate share in Common Areas such as Passages, Lobbies, Staircase, Lift excluding terrace, contained within the Residential Apartment known as NEHA SADAN to be constructed on Schedule property as per building specification (Annexure-I). Boundaries : East : Private Property, West : Flat No.401, North : Corridor, South : Corridor and Stairs.

Place: Kumbakonam, Date : 14-07-2021 **Authorised Officer**

Regd. Office : 149, T.S.R. (Big) Street, Kumbakonam, Thanjavur District, Tamil Nadu - 612 001, **CIN -** L65110TN1904PLC001287, **Telephone No.** 0435-2402322, **Fax :** 0435-2431746, **Website :** www.cityunionbank.com

RAIL WHEEL FACTORY Yelahanka, Bangalore-560 064.
Website: www.rwf.indianrailways.gov.in. E-Tender website:www.ireps.gov.in

TENDER NOTICE No.RWF/S/P1/005/2021-22 dt.15.07.2021

On behalf of the President of India, Principal Chief Materials Manager invites electronic Tenders from Interested Vendors for supply of the following items on the Indian Railways E-Portal – www.ireps.gov.in. The Tender documents and the Corrigenda to the Tenders, if any, will be available on the Portal only.

Sl.No	Tender No/ Description	Due Date	Qty
1	**P1211196A** BRICK ARCH HIGH ALUMINA 70% FOR LADLE LINING	02-08-2021	207 Set
2	**P1211462** CHIP CONVEYOR CHAIN ASSEMBLY	10-08-2021	120 Mtr

Principal Chief Materials Manager

Government of Karnataka
Administrative Training Institute
Lalita Mahal Road, Mysore-570011, Karnataka, India
Tel: 0821-2520906(O), 2520904(R), Fax: (0821) 2523899, 2520164 email:dgatimysore@gmail.com
Web: www.atimysore.gov.in
File no: ATI/79/EST/EST1/2020-ADMN-ATI-Part(1) (C.NO.310547) 16-07-2021

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR FACULTY POSTS ON DEPUTATION OR CONSULTANCY ASSIGNMENTS NOTIFICATION

Administrative Training Institute (ATI), Mysore desires to fill up the following Posts on deputation and/or engage Consultants for carrying out various assignments in different disciplines/areas. The area/discipline, No of Posts/Positions, duration of the assignment, educational qualifications and experience are as follows:-

Sl. No	Name of the Post	No. of Posts
1	Faculty (Public Administration)	02
2	Faculty (Economics and Planning)	01
3	Faculty (Women's Studies)	01
4	Faculty (Development Economics & Planning)	01
5	Faculty (Behavioural Science)	01
CENTRE FOR DISASTER MANAGEMENT, ATI MYSORE		
6	Faculty	02
7	Communication and IT officer	01
8	Research and Training Associates	02
9	System Officer	02
10	Assistant	02
	TOTAL	**15**

Qualifications and the required experience for the above positions are available in the Institute website – www.atimysore.gov.in from 19.07.2021. Candidates possessing required qualifications should send the application by Registered Post Acknowledgement Due (RPAD) and hard copy of the applications along with detailed curriculum vitae and other relevant documents to the Director General, Administrative Training Institute, Lalitha Mahal Road, Mysore during office hours on or before 05.00 P M on **28.07.2021**. No Personal or hand delivery of applications will be accepted. Applications should be sent by RPAD only. Soft copy of the applications should be mailed to dgatimysore@gmail.com & atimysurujobs@gmail.com.if candidates are applying for many posts then there should submit individual application for each post. Shortlisted candidates should attend interview at their own expense.

For Director General
ATI, Mysore

DIPR/DDMYS/MCA/312/2021-22

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PUBLIC NOTICE POSSESSION NOTICE

Sri.S.Kulandai Swamy and Smt.Ramya J

APPENDIX-IV
(See Rule 8(1)) r/w Sec. 13(4)(a)

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of **M/s. Sreenidhi Souharda Sahakari Bank Niyamitha,** under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 (Central Act No.54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12), of the said Act read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, issued a demand notice dated 10/05/2021 calling upon the Borrowers **1.Sri.S.Kulandai Swamy,** S/o Late Sandyavu and **2.Smt.J.Ramya** W/o K.Shantha Kumar both are Residing at No.28, 1st Main,2nd Cross, Sarakki Garden, J.P.Nagar 6th Phase, Bangalore-560078, demanding to repay the amount of **Rs.22,40,117/-** (Rupees Twenty Two Lakhs Forty Thousand One Hundred and Seventeen only) and **Rs.17,11,504.63** (Rupees Seventeen Lakhs Eleven Thousand Five Hundred and Four and Paisa Six Three) only respectively together with Interest and Costs thereon, being the loan amount due by them, within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.The borrowers have failed to repay the said amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property mortgaged to the Bank and described in Schedule herein below, together with all rights to transfer by way of Lease, assignment or sale for realizing the above mentioned amounts (Secured Asset), in exercise of the powers conferred on them under Section 13(4)(a) of the said Act read with Rule-8 of the said Rules on this **17th day of July 2021**.

The borrower/s in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the said property and any dealings with the said property will be subject to the charge of M/s.Sreenidhi Souharda Sahakari Bank Niyamitha for a sum of **Rs.23,03,877/- (Rupees Twenty Three Lakhs Three Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy Seven) only of Sri.S.Kulandai Swamy and Rs.17,57,366/-(Rupees Seventeen Lakhs Fifty Seven Thousand Three Hundred and Sixty Six) only by Smt.J.Ramyaas on 17/07/2021** together with interest and costs thereon.

DESCRIPTION OF THE SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of property bearing No.4, Khatha No.70 carved out in the land bearing survey No.27/4 of Sarakki Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore, measuring East to West:31 ½-0 feet and North to South : 19-0 feet totally measuring 598.50 Sq.ft consists of Ground floor, first floor, second floor and Third floor with RCC columns, roof, stair case, vitrified flooring, Glazed tile wall cladding, pavement floor, Saal Honne Doors, windows, ventilators and other civic amenities and bounded on the, East by : Munilakshmaiah's Property, West by : Road, North by : Police Ganga Hanumaiah's Property, South by : Tamil Vajrappa's Property

Date :17/07/2021
Place : Bangalore

Sd/-
(B.C.MAITHRI)
Authorised Officer,
Sreenidhi Souharda Sahakari Bank Niyamitha

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KOTAK MAHINDRA BANK LIMITED **POSSESSION NOTICE**

Regd. office: 27 BKC, C-27, G-Block, Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra (E), Mumbai, Maharashtra, Pin Code-400 051.
Branch Office: KMBLNo.22, ING Vysya House, M.G. Road, Bangalore – 560 001, Karnataka.

Whereas, the undersigned being the authorized officer of Kotak Mahindra Bank Ltd., under The Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act,2002 (54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 issued demand notices to the borrowers as detailed hereunder, calling upon the respective borrowers to repay the amount mentioned in the said notices with all costs, charges and expenses till actual date of payment within 60 days from the date of receipt of the same. The said borrower(s)/ co borrower(s) having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers/ co borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described hereunder in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13(4) of the said act r/w rule 8 of the said rules on the dates mentioned along-with. the borrowers in particular and public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of Kotak Mahindra Bank Ltd., for the amount specified therein with future interest, costs and charges from the respective dates. the borrowers attention is invited to provisions of sub section (8) of section 13 of the act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets. details of the borrowers, scheduled property, outstanding dues, demand notices sent under section 13(2) and amounts claimed there under, date of possession is given herein below:

S. No.	Name and Address of The Borrower, Co-Borrower/ Guarantor, Loan Account No., Loan Amount	Details Of The Immoveable Property	1. Date Of Possession 2. Type of Possession 2. Demand Notice Date 3. Amount Due In Rs.
1	**M/s. Karan Agencies Represented By Its Proprietor Late Mr. Rajesh Shroff & Mrs. Jyothi Shroff (Co-Borrower & Legal Heir of Late Mr. Rajesh Shroff) W/o. Late Mr. Rajesh Shroff & Mr. Karan Shroff (Legal Heir Of Late Mr. Rajesh Shroff) S/o. Late Mr. Rajesh Shroff & Mr. Akshan Shroff (Legal Heir of Late Mr. Rajesh Shroff) S/o. Late Mr. Rajesh Shroff Noticee No. 1 To 4 At:** Karan Agencies, No-10, 21st Cross, 2nd Floor, Kilari Road, Bangalore, Karnataka, 560053. **Notice No. 1 To 4 Also At:** No. 3/1, 3rd Floor, Vinayaka Residency, 5th Cross, Ganesha Block, Dinnur Main Road, Munivenkatappa Garden, Sultanpalya, RT Nagar, Bangalore 560032. **Notice No. 3 Also At:** "Unacademy", A Block, 3rd Floor, Maruthi Infotech Center, 100 Feet Rd, Embassy Golf Links Business Park, Domlur, Bengaluru, Karnataka -560071 **Loan Account No.:** 404ZLFD2904489 **Loan Sanctioned Amount:** Rs. 30, 93, 167/- (Rupees Thirty Lakh Ninety Three Thousand One Hundred Sixty Seven Only)	A three bedrooms apartment bearing no. 3G in the third floor of the building constructed known as "Vinayaka Residency" with a super build up area of 1005 sq. ft., ceramic flooring, steel windows, wooden doors, along with one covered car parking no. 3G in the basement, with staircase and common terrace contained in the multistoried building constructed on the schedule "D1" Property, along with an undivided share of 314 Sq. Ft. comprised in the schedule "D1" Property herein below. Schedule 1: All piece and parcel of property bearing new BMP 3/1 & 3/2, PID No. 95-23-3/1 & 3/2, now amalgamated as corporation no 3/1, PID No 95-23-3/1, Munivenkatappa Garden, Sultanpalya, (Kavalbyrasandra) Ward No. 95 (Formerly Site Nos. 35, 36, 37, 38, 39 and 40, situated at Matadahalli Village, 5th Cross, Ganesha Block, Munivenkatappa Garden, Sultanpalya) Bangalore, total measuring 10,880 Square Feet, present physical measuring is 10851 square feet. **Bounded As On: East** – Road, **West** – Drainage, **North** - Private Property, **South** - Property Belongs to Sri Ramaiah. **Name of The Mortgagor:** Mrs. Jyothi Shroff	1. 13.07.2021 2. **Symbolic Possession** 3. 29.01.2021 4. Rs. 35, 55, 396/- (Rupees Thirty Five Lakh Fifty Five Thousand Three Hundred Ninety Six Only) due and payable as of 28.01.2021 with applicable interest from 29.01.2021 until payment in full.
2	**Mr. Aashish Gupta & Mrs. Anshu Gupta Both At:** J-402 Mantri Espana, Kariyammana Agrahara Marathahlli Ring Road, Bellandur Bangalore, Karnataka, - 560103. **Both Also At:** Flat No. 701, 7th Floor, Block / Wing C1, Provident Well worth City Apartment, Kadathanamale Village, Hesaragatta Hobli, Bangalore - 560088 **Loan Account Number:** 404ZLH69037858 **Loan Amount Sanctioned:** Rs.28,50,000/- (Rupees Twenty Eight Lakh Fifty Thousand Only)	All that piece and parcel of residentially converted land comprised of survey nos.30 (7 acres 24.5 guntas), 31 (6 acres 25.5 guntas), 32 (9 acres 02 guntas), 33 (9 acres 37.25 guntas), 34 (6 acres 0.5 guntas) and 161 (2 acres) of Kadatanamale Village, Hesaragatta Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore in all measuring 41 acres 9.75 guntas (i.e. 17,96,576.51 sq ft) (which include the land relinquished to an extent of 10 acres 28.68 guntas (i.e. 466843.94 sq ft) in favour of Member Secretary, Biaapa, in compliance with the requirement of sanction plan and an area of 24,193.40 sq ft reserved for locating Electrical Sub-Station or yards) and the entire **property is bounded as follows-**East - Land In Survey No.160, Doddaballapur Road, land in survey nos.162, 163, 164, 40 and 41 West - Land In Survey Nos.41, 29, 30/7(P), 31/4(P), 31/3(P), 31/2(P), 31/1(P), 34/2(P), 34/1(P) North - Land In Survey Nos. 37, 38 and 160 South - Land In Survey No.41 And 29 **Schedule – B (Property Conveyed Under This Deed)** An Undivided 0.0188% (Zero Point Zero One Eight Eight Percent) Share (Equivalent To 245.62 Sq Ft) In The Land Measuring 1006611.05 Sq Ft Being The Land Apportioned To The Residential Development Forming Part of Shedule 'A' Property **Schedule - C (Description of the apartment)** A Two Bedroom Apartment Bearing No.701 (Property No.15020020250022516) on the seventh floor in block/wing "C1" of the residential apartment complex known as "Provident Wel worth City" constructed on the schedule "A" Property, having a super built-up area of 845 sq ft (which is inclusive of the floors , ceiling and walls between the apartments and proportionate share in all common areas and clubhouse area) together with an exclusive right to use one open reserved car parking space. **Name of The Mortgagor:** Mr. Aashish Gupta and Mrs. Anshu Gupta	1). 13.07.2021 2). **Symbolic Possession.** 3). 23.12.2020 4). Rs. 28, 60, 386/- (Rupees Twenty Eight Lakh Sixty Thousand Three Hundred and Eighty Six Only) due and payable as on 22.12.2020 with applicable interest from 23.12.2020 until payment in full.

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Place: Bangalore, Date: 18.07.2021 **Authorised Officer: For Kotak Mahindra Bank Ltd.**

Bengaluru police have stepped up the search to trace 11 convicts, who went out on parole from Parappana Agrahara Central Prison, but haven't turned up so far. A senior police officer said that they are among the 22 convicts who jumped parole, and are on the run across the state since 2004

SUNDAY INTERVIEW

'K'taka has to work hard on Jal Jeevan Mission'

RAMU PATIL @ Bengaluru

THE Jal Jeevan Mission is the Central Government's flagship programme to provide clean drinking water tap connections to all rural households by 2024. The Centre is constantly monitoring its implementation and has directed the Karnataka government to pull up its socks and be in tune with national progress. Union Jal Shakti Minister Gajendra Singh Shekhawat, who is driving the project, told *TNSE* that Karnataka is a slow-progressing state and needs to work hard. On the Mekedatu project, the minister says that both Karnataka and Tamil Nadu should sit together and resolve it. Excerpts from an interview:

What is the Centre's stand on the Mekedatu project?
It is a historical dispute between Karnataka and Tamil Nadu. The Government of India has to be impartial and do justice to all states. We will work on that principle.

Karnataka has made it clear that Mekedatu is a drinking water project and will not have any impact on release of Tamil Nadu's share of water?
It (the dispute) should be a subject of hydrology and engineering, but unfortunately it has become a subject of emotions and politics. It is not a healthy development. A final decision has to be taken with the consensus of all the states. We will discuss it with all and get it done.

Will you make that effort? Will you be calling a meeting anytime soon?
Certainly, it's my duty. If required, we can call a meeting. Also, if the states are not agreeing due to some political reasons, we have to identify other options. Resources cannot be wasted because of resistance of one or the other state. Ultimately, any issue can be resolved through discussion. Both states should sit together and discuss it.

The perception here is that TN is putting pressure and that is why the Centre is going slow?
No, I don't think so. The matter is sub-judice as states have challenged it in Apex Court.

How is Karnataka's performance as regards Jal Jeevan Mission?
Karnataka is a slow-progressing state. We reviewed its implementation with the CM and officers and told them what exactly is the situation in the country and what is being done in Karnataka. We told them to speed up its implementation. The national average has reached almost 41%, whereas in Karnataka, it is around 34%. They need to work hard.

The state has set a target of 25 lakh connections in this financial year. Will that bring the state on par with the national average?
They should work hard to achieve it. It is not unachievable and it can be done, provided they work hard.

Any specific aspects the state needs to focus on?
Jal Jeevan Mission is not only a programme of infrastructure creation for water supply. Many districts in Karnataka lack sustainable sources. They need to prepare for it. Service delivery is the most important part of the mission. Functionality or service delivery depends on three different components — quantity, quality and frequency. Quantity is fixed at 55 Litres Per Capita per Day. The prescribed quality has to be ensured and regularity has to be maintained. When we conducted a nationwide survey by a third party, we found that Karnataka is doing okay in quantity and regularity standards. In those aspects, it is performing good, but still, a lot needs to be done in terms of quality standards. There is contamination in ground water.

What is being done to ensure that quality standards is maintained?
Quality is important as you should know and it is your right to know the quality of water you are drinking. We have decided to have one accredited laboratory to check water quality in all districts across the country. We have given money to states. In the next stage, we will take them to block level.

It is considered the most ambitious project of the Modi Government. What is the total cost of the project; are you confident of achieving the 2024 target?
We have set 2024 as the target and the way we are going ahead, I am sure we will complete the Rs 3,60,000 crore project within that time. Of that, Rs 2,40,000 crore will be spent by the Government of India and the remaining by state governments.

What is the status of declaring the Upper Bhadra project as a national project?
Giving national project status is a prerogative of the Prime Minister or Cabinet. The issue has not reached the competent authority yet. There were some observations from the Central Water Commission and that was fulfilled by the state. The Investment Committee and Technical Committee has cleared it. Now, we need to go through other formalities. There is a Group of Secretaries, which assesses the project and its potential and they recommend it to the cabinet for declaring it as a national project. Currently, it is in that stage.

Karnataka and Maharashtra are demanding notification of the Krishna River Water Tribunal order.
The cases are in the SC.

BJP FACES DAUNTING TASK IN FINDING SUCCESSOR TO BSY

MANISH ANAND @ New Delhi

CAUGHT between Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa and BJP national general secretary (organisation) B L Santhosh, the BJP government in Karnataka appears to be headed into a limbo over the party's leadership succession plan in the state. While the chief minister sought to gauge the mood of the party top brass in the national capital, he repeatedly fended off speculation about his resignation.

At 76, Yediyurappa had brought the BJP back to power in Karnataka in 2019, becoming an exception in the party to breach the undeclared age ceiling of 75 to hold an office. Ever since, he's been busy countering speculation, the latest round being during his two-day stay in the national capital when he met Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Union Home Minister Amit Shah and the party chief J P Nadda.

Emerging from Shah's residence, the CM stated that he has been asked to work hard and help the party win the next elections in the state. The CM had his son B Y Vijayendra for company, fuelling speculation that he lobbied for passing the baton within the family, while the BJP is known to have, of late, grown averse to the idea of promoting dynasties within the party.

Chief Minister BS Yediyurappa during his meeting with BJP national president JP Nadda in New Delhi on Saturday

The emergence of Santhosh, who succeeded Ram Lal as the general secretary (organization), has seemingly added to the challenges for the CM. Party insiders note that Santhosh wants to promote alternative leadership, hand-picking C T Ravi, a Vokkaliga, as national general secretary of the party, besides favouring other leaders.

While the BJP top brass takes its time to decide on the leadership change, party insiders added that the state government faces the prospect of a lame duck dispensation. With no Lingayat leader in sight to match the status of Yediyurappa, and the bid to promote D V Sadananda Gowda, a Vokkaliga, ending in failure, as he apparently couldn't rise to the expectations of the PM, the BJP has a daunting task ahead to find a successor to Yediyurappa, and also ensuring that it remains in power in the only big state south of Vindhyas.

WHAT WAS IN THOSE 6 BAGS, ASKS HDK

Bengaluru: Hours after Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa returned to Bengaluru after his two-day visit to Delhi, former CM and JDS leaders said six big bags were taken on the special flight to the national capital. "As per the information I received, six big bags were taken on the special flight when only two persons were travelling in it. I do not know if they were taking documents related to Karnataka issues in those bags. I do not know what was in those big bags," he told reporters on Saturday. Kumaraswamy said he was not aware if big gifts were taken from Bengaluru. Sources in the Chief Minister's Office rubbished any speculation saying that if six people were travelling in the flight and each one carried a bag for the two-day visit, it would account for six bags and there was nothing more to it. ENS

'Will work for BJP in next polls'

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YEDIYURAPPA is also said to have assured the central leadership of his support in the upcoming polls so the party's vote share does not take a beating. From change of Governor to elevation of four MPs from the State as Ministers in the Union Council, all moves have been stepping stones leading to the shift in leadership.

While sources suggested that Yedyurappa has been assured of his sons' safe future in the party and a Governor's post (most probably of Andhra), if he is willing to take it, he repeatedly told the media he would work for the party in the next Assembly and Lok Sabha polls.

He has called for a meeting of BJP legislators on July 26 when he completes two years in office. "So far, no talk of alternative leaders. I have reiterated there is no dearth of leadership in BJP," he said, hinting that while he will continue as CM for now, an alternate leader is in the making.

Mekedatu: CM plays brotherhood card, says project will strengthen ties with TN

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

Chief Minister BS Yediyurappa on Saturday said that the Mekedatu project across the Cauvery will not affect any neighbouring state. His statement comes a day after an all-party delegation from Tamil Nadu met Union Jal Shakti Minister Gajendra Singh Shekhawat in Delhi over the Mekedatu project proposed by Karnataka.

According to Tamil Nadu, Shekhawat told its delegation that Karnataka will not be allowed to start construction until its Detailed Project Report (DPR) is approved by the Cauvery Water Management Authority. Reacting to this, Yediyurappa said his government will take all the required approvals before starting the project. "We assure (to all stakeholders) that the project will not cause inconvenience to any state. We will speak to the minister concerned and to other state governments," he said, adding that the project will strengthen the brotherhood between Karnataka and Tamil Nadu. Yediyurappa had recently written to his Tamil Nadu counterpart MK Stalin calling for cooperation between the two states and suggested a bilateral meeting to address any apprehension about the Mekedatu project. Yediyurappa had said the proposed project will help both the states during distress years.

Meanwhile, several organisations in Tamil Nadu and Puducherry have been protesting against the project. In Karnataka, farmers from Ramanagara have decided to take out a five-day padayatra from Mekedatu to Bengaluru on August 3, in favour of the project.

Shekhawat, who was in Bengaluru recently, had termed the Mekedatu project a long-pending issue between Tamil Nadu and Karnataka.

Sumalatha seeks Guv's intervention in KRS row

ENS @ Bengaluru

Mandya MP Sumalatha has sought Governor Thawar Chand Gehlot's intervention to protect Krishnaraja Sagar reservoir and to take action against "illegal mining" that is posing a threat to the dam.

Sumalatha, who met the Governor at Raj Bhavan on Saturday, apprised him of the damage caused by illegal mining to KRS, crops and health hazards. "Despite Supreme Court's judgment pertaining to KRS reservoir's safety concern due to hazardous blasts in its vicinity adherence to notes of the seismology department, it appears there is uninterrupted illegal mining and blast occurrences dawn and dusk creating unrest to the denizen of the region," the MP stated in her petition. "The illegal mining has caused pollution, environmental hazards to human habitation like repeated miscarriages, livestock fodder scarcity, lack of potable water and even damaging the houses of those villages surrounded by illegal mining activity, an imaginable impending danger to the reservoir structure as well by the tremors caused due to blasts," she stated.

"I explained everything to the Governor. He gave me a few suggestions and told me that he will forward the letter to the government," Sumalatha told *TNSE*.

Covid aid yet to reach beneficiaries, says DKS

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Vijayapura

CRITICISING the State Government for not extending any assistance to Covid-19 victims, Karnataka Pradesh Congress Committee (KPCC) president D K Shivakumar said that though the government has announced some compensation after the Congress exerted pressure, the relief is yet to materialise and reach the beneficiaries.

Speaking to reporters in Sindagi town during his maiden visit to the district after taking charge as KPCC chief on Saturday, Shivakumar said, "The state Congress has launched a drive to tour the state not only to hear the grievances of people, mainly SCs and the oppressed classes, but also to instill confidence among them." On the plight of SCs, he said, "On one hand they have suffered because of Covid, on the other, they are still facing long-pending issues such as regularisation of their cultivable land and other problems."

Former minister and MLA MB Patil greets KPCC chief DK Shivakumar at Sindagi in Vijayapura district on Saturday

'Several Lingayat MLAs ready to join Congress'

Kalaburagi: DK Shivakumar on Saturday said that several MLAs and workers of other parties belonging to the Lingayat community want to join the Congress Shivakumar said KPCC working president Eshwar Khandre and former minister MB Patil were holding discussions with such MLAs and workers.

Later, Shivakumar took part in an interaction session with SCs at Sindagi. He prasied MLA M B Patil for offering affordable medical facilities to Covid patients at BLDE hospital.

Mayur, a member of Dalit Sangarsh Samiti, said, "The government has stopped scholarship for SC students. The Opposition should raise this issue in the legislature session." A section leaders demanded that the Congress put pressure on the Centre to accord National Award to writer Siddalingaiah, who passed away recently.

Shivakumar also interacted with the people of Banjara community near Devara Hipparagi.

Covid norms flouted

Throwing Covid norms to the wind, hundreds of people took part in the programmes organised by the Congress in Sindagi and Devara Hipparagi. Sources said the organisers did not obtain permission from the administration for the events.

ORDER ISSUED

Govt constitutes Vokkaliga Development Board

ENS @ Bengaluru

THE State Government on Saturday issued an order constituting the Vokkaliga Development Board. Yediyurappa had proposed the board in the budget this year setting aside ₹500 crore for the same.

The order, issued on Saturday by the Under Secretary to the Backward Classes Department, states that the board has been constituted to work for the welfare of Vokkaligas in Karnataka. As per the backward reservation (3A), Vokkaliga, Sarpa Vokkaliga, Hallikar Vokkaliga, Namadhaari Vokkaliga, Gangadkar Vokkaliga, Das Vokkaliga, Reddy Vokkaliga, Marasu Vokkaliga, Gowda, Kunchitiga, Kaapu, Heggade, Kammu, Reddy, Goundar, Uppina Kolaga and others will come under the board. Speaking to *TNSE*, Revenue Minister R Ashoka, a Vokkaliga strongman, said that the creation of this board was a long-pending demand. BJP sources said Ashoka was pushing the name of his relative, Bengaluru South MLA M Krishnappa, to head the board. Keeping BBMP polls in mind, the BJP is trying to woo the Vokkaligas by making Krishnappa the chairman, sources said.

GANDHIAN, FARMER LEADER MADE GOWDA NO MORE

K SHIVA KUMAR @ Mysuru

GANDHIAN G Made Gowda (92), who was the face of the farmers' agitation during the Cauvery water dispute with Tamil Nadu, breathed his last at a private hospital here on Saturday after a brief illness. Made Gowda had remained the voice of farmers in the region for more than six decades.

In a recent interview to *The New Indian Express*, he had strongly pitched for the Mekedatu project and opposed privatisation of the Mysore Sugar factory.

The veteran leader is survived by his wife J P Padmamma, two sons and two daughters, including former MLC Madhu Made Gowda.

According to family members, the last rites will be held at the Athmalingeshwara temple premises at Hamunatha Nagar in KM Doddi at 3 pm on Sunday. The mortal remains will be kept for public viewing at his house in Bandegowda Layout.

Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa has condoled the death of Made Gowda and said that it is a huge loss to the farming community and the state.

Congress Legislature Party leader Siddaramaiah and former prime minister HD Deve Gowda also condoled the death of Made Gowda.

The former MP had attained national stature and commanded respect not only among farmers, but also among top political leaders, cutting across the party lines. He was instrumental in building a spacious Gandhi Bhavan in Mandya and KM Doddi, opening a free library and conducting activities to encourage rural talent. Though Gowda was known for his outspokenness, the welfare of peasants, the poor and women was always on top of his mind.

A native of Kalamudana Doddi (KM Doddi), he graduated from Maharaja's College and did a law course at the Government Law College, Bengaluru.

He won from Kirugalavu constituency entered the Vidhana Soudha along with H D Deve Gowda in 1962. He represented the seat till 1989 and contested the Parliament election from Mandya and won in 1989 and 1991. He was also Minister for Forest in Chief Minister Gundu Rao's Cabinet from 1981 to 1983.

Made Gowda founded the Bharathi Education Society and brought in a revolution in education by starting schools and colleges in the district. He also started a naturopathy college and also a super speciality hospital in KM Doddi.

He plunged into the Cauvery agitation and strongly opposed the interim order of the Cauvery tribunal and was the man behind the months-long stir that drew the attention of both the Central and State Governments. He managed to bring all farmers' organisations on board and was the driving force behind the stir. He also protested against the then Chief Minister S M Krishna and was critical of governments for betraying farmers by releasing water to neighbouring Tamil Nadu.

Made Gowda was president of the Cauvery Raitha Hitharakshana Samithi and staged fast unto death, demanding justice to farmers of Mandya district. Many Chief Ministers and Ministers used to make a beeline to his house and seek his suggestions before formulating the state's strategies on the Cauvery issue.

KR Puram police on Friday arrested a 36-year-old Ghanaian - Asiedu Morgan - for attacking on-duty cops at Margondanahalli. Two weeks ago, he was allegedly fighting with a friend on the road, and residents alerted KR Puram police, who arrived and warned him to leave. Enraged, he allegedly drove his car into their bike. He also assaulted the two cops and escaped. He was later traced and picked up.

Delimitation panel meets for 1st time

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

THE delimitation committee, formed by the State Government to look into division of wards and holding BBMP elections, met for the first time on Saturday.

The government had formed the committee on October 14, 2020 and had announced that the number of BBMP wards would be increased from 198 to 243. The committee was to complete the exercise within six months, but was delayed due to the Covid pandemic.

The BBMP chief commissioner is the committee chairman with the Bengaluru Urban District Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore Development Authority Commissioner and Special Commissioner Revenue of BBMP as members.

Committee chairman Gaurav Gupta said, "The meeting was held to understand what has happened so far, why the committee was constituted and what needs to be done."

Another committee member, seeking anonymity said, "Some suggestions were made, but it is difficult to do much as it is more of a political issue. There is a need for a broad alliance to take it forward."

A former Congress corporator said, "The government is not interested in elections. It is shocking that the committee did not even have a single meeting. It happened today, at a time when the committee's tenure is over. The survey of division of wards has also not been done," A former BJP corporator pointed out that it is interesting that the meeting has been held at a time when parties are holding meetings pertaining to council elections and the government is officially asking the election commission to postpone the polls citing the pandemic.

NOW, PROPERTY ANGLE TO DARSHAN'S CASE

ENS @ Mysuru

WHAT initially started off as an alleged cheating attempt, misusing actor **Darshan Thoogudeepa**'s name, is taking several twists, with a property dispute between the actor and producer Umapathy being the latest one.

On Saturday, Umapathy said that there were talks between him and the actor over some property belonging to 'Doddmane' (late actor Dr Rajkumar's family), which allegedly was sold to him.

As soon as the producer took the name of 'Doddmane' at a press meet in Bengaluru, Darshan too met the press at his farmhouse near Mysuru and stated that he didn't want to give any clarification either in the alleged cheating case, nor the alleged hotel assault incident. "Now, the name of 'Doddmane' has surfaced, and I want to question the producer as to why he was paying Darshan rent for the property of Doddmane, which is allegedly said to be given to the actor. My father acted in most of the 'Doddmane' banner films, and even I worked as a distributor in their banner. I am only speaking now as the issue has surfaced," he said.

Special teams hunt for RTI activist's attackers

ENS @ Bengaluru

TAVAREKERE police are yet to arrest the accused who brutally attacked RTI activist **Venkatesh alias Maamaiah** on Thursday, and chopped off his leg and hand. Meanwhile, Venkatesh is recovering in a private hospital and his family is not allowed to visit him since he is in the ICU.

A senior officer informed that a special police team is searching for the assailants based on the clues, and the CCTV footage is being analysed to trace their movements. As we have definite clues about the attackers, arrests will be made in a couple of days. "We also questioned some suspects who reportedly helped them in the attack," the officer said.

On Friday, the police recorded statements of the victim's wife Nagaratna, and their son Jeevan Gowda, and they revealed names of some suspects. A team then left for Tamil Nadu, while another is in Kerala to look for them, the officer added.

Police feel that there could also be a financial dispute among relatives of the victim, and are investigating.

DAY IN COURT

Expedite probe against officials for illegal mining, HC tells Lokayukta

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

ALLOWING writ petitions filed by the Lokayukta, the Karnataka High Court set aside orders passed by the Karnataka State Administrative Tribunal to quash the disciplinary inquiry entrusted by the State Government to the Lokayukta, as well as the chargesheet against government officials, in connection with illegal mining.

IN THE HC

"In the present case, there is an error apparent on the face of the record committed by the tribunal, and this court, by invoking inherent power, can certainly correct it," said a division bench of Justice Satish Chandra Sharma and Justice Nataraj Rangaswamy.

The Lokayukta has filed three petitions challenging the orders passed by the tribunal, on the applications filed by Prakash TV, Assistant Commissioner, Upper Tunga Project; Manjunath R Ballari, Under Secretary to Government; and Ramakanth Y Hullar, Circle Inspector of Police. Advocate Venkatesh S Arbatti, the counsel of Lokayukta, has vehemently argued that the tribunal's action amounts to giving a premium to the alleged 617 dishonest officers, with the mining scam in the state being one of the biggest scams in the country. Such people cannot be permitted to go scot-free, and such a large scam of iron ore, wherein large amounts were paid as bribe, cannot be washed out by a single stroke of pen, he argued.

Accordingly, the court noted that this case reflects a very sorry state of affairs. A matter which was referred by the government for investigation in 2007 has not attained finality on account of various litigations. The then Lokayukta had submitted a very detailed report, based upon which, the chargesheet has also been issued on April 8, 2015. "We are in 2021. Again, on account of an application before the tribunal, the matter has been delayed, as the chargesheet itself was quashed by it. The fact remains that the State Government has been unable to take any action against as many as 617 officials, who were allegedly involved in corruption, causing loss to the government to the tune of crores and crores of rupees," the court said.

In view of this, the court requested the Lokayukta to conclude the departmental enquiry, as expeditiously as possible, preferable within a period of one year.

'Compassionate ground jobs must be immediate'

ENS @ Bengaluru

THE Karnataka HC said that in a number of cases, it has come across authorities not considering the applications seeking appointment on compassionate grounds immediately, notwithstanding the need for appointment lying in its immediacy. Any unjustifiable delay on the part of authorities would make them personally responsible to pay damages to the applicant.

Justice M Nagaprasanna noted that keeping the applications pending for years or months will defeat the very object of Karnataka Civil Services (Appointment on Compassionate Grounds) Rules, 1996.

Allowing the petition by N Hruthik from Mysuru, the court directed the Department of Secondary and Primary Education to reconsider the case of the petitioner for appointment on compassionate grounds within eight weeks, failing which the petitioner would be entitled to a salary in lowest post of Group-C till such consideration.

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The Executive Engineer (K.R. Pura) invites Item Rate tenders from eligible tenderers for the works detailed in the table given below. The tenderers may submit tenders for any or all of the works given in the table in appropriate class registered in Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike/CPWD/KPWD/Railways /MES/any State or Central Govt. Organisations.

Sl. No.	Name of the Works	Approx. Value of Work (₹. in Lakhs)
1.	Construction of Cultural Activity Centre Balance Work and Providing Drains at Green Garden Phase II in R.M. Nagara Ward No-26.	60.00
2.	Improvements to Kalyani Area Balance works (Stage-4) and development of Surrounding areas at Kalkere Village in R.M.Nagara Ward No-26.	100.00
3.	Construction of Rangamantappa Platform balance works at Kalkere Village in R.M.Nagara Ward No-26.	100.00
EMD (in ₹.)	EMD Declaration	

Calendar of Events : (1) Availability of RFP Documents on **20.07.2021** onwards. (2) Pre-Bid meeting will be haled on **23.07.2021** at **11:30** am in the Office of the Executive Engineer, K.R.Pura. (3) Last Date Submission of Tender Documents on or before **29.07.2021** at **4:00** pm. (4) Technical Bids will be opened in the Office of the Executive Engineer, KR Pura Division on **31.07.2021** at **4:00** pm. Further details may be obtained from the above office during office hours on working days or from website: **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/- Executive Engineer
K R Pura Division

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KARNATAKA NEERAVARI NIGAM LIMITED
(A Government of Karnataka Enterprise)
Executive Engineer, KNNL, MLBCC, Division No.1 Ramdurg.
Tq:Ramdurg Dist:Belagavi Ph: 08335-242143,
Mail id:ee.knnlmlbc1rmd@gmail.com
No: EE/KNNL/MLBCC/DIV-01/D.B/2021-22/266 Date: 17/07/2021
CORRIGENDUM SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION
(TWO COVER SYSTEM)

Reference notication number no:1) ee/knnl/mlbcc/div-01/d.b/ 2021-22/175 dated 28/07/2021 & 2). No.KNNL/MLBCC/DB/TND/199 Dated:- 06.07.2021

(Only through E-PROCUREMENT SYSTEM)

Percentage tender through e-portal in two cover system is invited by the Executive Engineer, KNNL, MLBCC, Division No. 1 Ramdurg on behalf of the Managing Director, Karnataka Neeravari Nigam Ltd., from the eligible contractors who fulfils the pre-qualification conditions for the following work.

"Providing protection works for Malaprabha River near Hampiholi village to Gonnagar village, Ramdurg taluka"

Amount put to tender Rs. 11667.29 Lakhs, Stipulated Period of Completion: 15 Months

The Contractors can access and download the completed bid documents through e-procurement website www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in Upto 22.07.2021.. The date of submission for completed tenders is 22.07.2021 up to 4.00PM. The tenders will be opened on 23.07.2021 @ 6.00PM onwards at the office of the Executive Engineer, KNNL, MLBCC, Division No.1 Ramdurg, through e-procurement. The date of opening of Financial Bid will be intimated to the qualified bidders. The authority competent to accept the tenders shall have the right of rejecting all or any of the tenders without assigning any reasons and will not bound to accept the lowest tender. Eligible bidders can have further information through e-procurement (www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in).

Sd/-(B. N. Dayanand)
Executive Engineer.(I/c)
KNNL, MLBCC, Division No.1, Ramdurg.
DIPR/BGM/RO-NO-432/MCA/2021-22

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(A Government of Karnataka Enterprise)
Office of The Executive Engineer,
KNNL, TLBC Division No. 3, Sindhanur-584128.
No: KNNL/EE-3/TS/KK road/Tender Notification/2020-21/578 Date:14.07.2021
SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION
(THROUGH E-PROCUREMENT ONLY)

Tender in electronic mode on Item Rate basis are invited from the eligible Contractors / firm / Company enlisted under KNNL category-II and above of Karnataka state who fulfill the given conditions, for the work of **Improvements to roads.** The tender shall be offered through **e-procurement** system only and will be in **two cover system.** Last date for submission of tender through electronic tender is Dt : **10-08-2021 up to 4.00 PM.** The amount put to tender is **Rs. 349.90 Lakhs.**

The tender conditions and other information can be obtained from this office during office hours or through website **www.eprockarnataka.gov.in**

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
DIPR/Raichur/211/MC&A/2021-22 **KNNL, TLBC Division No.3, Sindhanur-584128.**

STATE BANK OF INDIA
RASMEC Hosur Branch, Sri Vaari Building, Plot No.2, SIPCOT Industrial Estate, Phase-I, Zuzuvadi, (Opp. Ashok Leyland), **Hosur**-635 126, **Phone:** 04344-277714 **Email:** sbi.61275@sbi.co.in

Publication of Notice regarding possession of property u/s 13(4) of SARFAESI Act 2002

Notice is hereby given under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with rule 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, a demand notice was issued on the dates mentioned against each account and stated hereinafter calling upon them to repay the amount within 60 days from the date of receipt of said notice.

The Borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of power conferred on him/her under section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 9 of the said Act on the dates mentioned against each account.

The Borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the STATE BANK OF INDIA for an amount and interest thereon.

Name of Borrowers & address	Name of Owner of property etc.	Description of the property mortgaged/ charged	Date of Demand Notice	Date of Possession	Amount Outstanding
1) Smt. C Indira **W/o Shri. P.Chidambaram** No 55, Pachayappan Compound, 4th cross, Ram Temple Street, New Thippasandra Post, Bangalore – 560075 **2) Shri. P Chidambaram** **S/o Shri. N Pachayappan** No 55, Pachayappan Compound, 4th cross, Ram Temple Street, New Thippasandra Post, Bangalore – 560075	**Smt. C Indira W/o Shri. P.Chidambaram**	All the piece and parcel of site bearing No.170 measuring East to West 30ft and North to South 50ft having 1500 Sq.ft., area formed in layout called "GPR GRANDE" , residential converted land, Katha No.1365/971/170 bearing new e-katha No.150200100600100174, formed in Sy Nos. 45/1, 45/2, 46, 47, 48, 49, 52/3/4/5/6, 56/1, 56/2, 54/2/3/4, 55/3B, 58/1A, 58/1B, 58/2, 59/1/2/3/4/5, 60/1A, 60/1B, 61/1, 62/6 in old V.P, situated within limits of chandapura village & Gram Panchayat, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Rural District together with all rights, appurtenance whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface and building constructed in the vacant plot as bounded on the : North by - Plot No.161, South by - 30 ft. Road, East by - Plot No.171, West by - Plot No.169	22.04.2021	14.07.2021	**Rs.1,00,41,892.00 (Rupees One Crore Forty One Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety Two only) as on 14.07.2021 and further interest from 15.07.2021 costs, etc., thereon**

Date : 16.07.2021
Place: Hosur

Authorised Officer
State Bank of India
RASMEC Hosur Branch.

KARNATAKA GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT
M.S. Building, Bengaluru
No.: RD 2 GRC 2020 **Dated: 31.05.2021**
CORRIGENDUM

In the Government Notification of even number dated: 30.05.2020, regarding attachment of movable and immovable properties under Sub-Sec (2) of Section 3 of the KPID Act 2004, believed to be belonging to M/s IBC – Innovative Business Centre. The annexure part of the order is here by modified and following corrigendum is issued and may be read as under:

Instead of Table No. 1

ಅನುಬಂಧ–1 (Annexure-1)

ಕ್ರ. ಸಂ.	ಚಕ್ಕುಬಂದಿ ಸಹಿತ ಸ್ಥಿತಿನ ವಿವರ	ದಾಖಲೆಗಳ ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಸ್ಥಿತಿನ ಮಾಲೀಕರು	ದಾಖಲಾತಿ ವಿವರ	ಪ್ರಸ್ತುತ ಮಾರುಕಟ್ಟೆ ದರ (ರೂ. ಗಳಲ್ಲಿ)	ಖರೀದಿ / ಅಡಮಾನ ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ. ಗಳಲ್ಲಿ	ಷರಾ
1	ವಿಸ್ತೀರ್ಣ 1675 ಚ.ಅಡಿ ಪೂರ್ವ–ಪಶ್ಚಿಮ–67 ಅಡಿ ಉತ್ತರ–ದಕ್ಷಿಣ–25 ಅಡಿ **ಚಕ್ಕುಬಂದಿ:** ಪೂರ್ವಕ್ಕೆ: ಸೈಟ್ ನಂ. 81 ಪಶ್ಚಿಮಕ್ಕೆ: 20 ಫೀಟ್ ರೋಡ್ ಉತ್ತರಕ್ಕೆ: ಸೈಟ್ ನಂ. 105 ಮತ್ತು ದಕ್ಷಿಣಕ್ಕೆ: ಮೈಲಸಂದ್ರ	ಶ್ರೀ ಮುತ್ತುರಾಜು	ಉಪನೋಂದಣಾಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳು ಬೇಗೂರು, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ರವರ ಕ್ರಯದ ಕರಾರು ನೋಂದಣಿ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ 9331/ನಂ.103/1, ಹಳೆ ಖಾತಾ ನಂ.53, ಹೊಸ ಖಾತಾ ನಂ.398 ಮತ್ತು 400, ಲಕ್ಷ್ಮೀನಗರ, ದೊಡ್ಡಗುಬ್ಬ ವಿತ್ತಸಂದ್ರ ಮೈನ್ ರೋಡ್, ಬೇಗೂರು ಹೋಬಳಿ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ದಕ್ಷಿಣ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು	30,00,000	12,00,000	ಪ್ರಕರಣದ ದೂಷಿತ ಕಂಪನಿಯ ಎಂ.ಡಿ ಆದ ನಯಾಮತ್ ವುಲ್ಲಾರವರ ಹೆಸರಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಸೇಲ್ ಅಗ್ರಿಮೆಂಟ್ ಆಗಿದ್ದು, ಸದರಿ ಅಸಲು ಅಗ್ರಿಮೆಂಟ್ ಅಮಾನತ್ತು ಪಡಿಸಿಕೊಂಡಿರುತ್ತದೆ.

ಅನುಬಂಧ–2 (Annexure-2)

ಕ್ರ. ಸಂ.	ವಾಹನದ ನೋಂದಣಿ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ	ವಾಹನದ ವಿವರ	ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೌಲ್ಯ (ರೂ.ಗಳಲ್ಲಿ)
1	ಡಿ ಎಲ್–3ಸಿ ಎಜೆ 8822 (ಎ–6)	S. Metalic Colour Model: Audi TDI Chasis No: WAUZE64F36N192436 Engine No: BMK116956	5,00,000.00
		ಒಟ್ಟು	**5,00,000.00**

ಅನುಬಂಧ–3 (Annexure-3)

ಕ್ರ. ಸಂ.		ಮೊತ್ತ (ರೂ.ಗಳಲ್ಲಿ)
01	ನಗದು	2,65,000/–
	ಒಟ್ಟು	**2,65,000/–**

To be read as Table No. 2
Annexure-1

ಕ್ರ. ಸಂ.	ಚಕ್ಕುಬಂದಿ ಸಹಿತ ಸ್ಥಿತಿನ ವಿವರ	ದಾಖಲೆಗಳ ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಸ್ಥಿತಿನ ಮಾಲೀಕರು	ದಾಖಲಾತಿ ವಿವರ	ಪ್ರಸ್ತುತ ಮಾರುಕಟ್ಟೆ ದರ (ರೂ. ಗಳಲ್ಲಿ)	ಖರೀದಿ / ಅಡಮಾನ ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ. ಗಳಲ್ಲಿ	ಷರಾ
1	ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ದಕ್ಷಿಣ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು, ಬೇಗೂರು ಹೋಬಳಿ, ಬೇಗೂರು ಗ್ರಾಮ, ವಿಟ್ಟಸಂದ್ರ ಮುಖ್ಯರಸ್ತೆ, ಬೊಡಗುಟ್ಟ, ಲಕ್ಷ್ಮೀನಗರ ಹಾಲಿ ಬೃಹತ್ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಮಹಾನಗರ ಪಾಲಿಕೆ ವ್ಯಾಪ್ತಿಯ ಹಳೇ ಖಾತಾ ನಂ.53, ಹೊಸ ಖಾತಾ ನಂ.398/400, ಸೈಟ್. 103 ನಂ/1ರ ಪೂರ್ವ–ಪಶ್ಚಿಮಕ್ಕೆ 67 ಅಡಿ, ಉತ್ತರ–ದಕ್ಷಿಣಕ್ಕೆ 25 ಅಡಿ. ಒಟ್ಟು ವಿಸ್ತೀರ್ಣ 1675 ಚದರ ಅಡಿ. **ಚಕ್ಕುಬಂದಿ:** ಪೂರ್ವ–ವಿಟ್ಟಸಂದ್ರ ಗಡಿ ಸ.ನಂ.81 ಪಶ್ಚಿಮ–20 ಅಡಿ ರಸ್ತೆ, ಉತ್ತರ–ಸೈಟ್ ನಂ.105 & 103, ದಕ್ಷಿಣ–ಮೈಲಸಂದ್ರ ಗಡಿ	ಶ್ರೀ ಎಂ. ಮುತ್ತುರಾಜ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇಟ್ ತಾರೆ ಮುನಿಯಪ್ಪ ರವರಿಂದ Innovative Business Center ಪ್ರತಿನಿಧಿ ಶ್ರೀ ನಾಯಮತ್ ವುಲ್ಲಾ ಬಿನ್ ಅಬ್ದುಲ್ ಬಶೀರ್ ರವರ ಹೆಸರಿಗೆ ಕ್ರಯದ ಕರಾರು ಆಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ.	ಉಪನೋಂದಣಾಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳು, ಬೇಗೂರು ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ರವರ ಕಛೇರಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ನೋಂದಣಿಯಾದ ಕ್ರಯದ ಕರಾರು ಸಂ.ಬಿಜಿಆರ್–1–09331/ 2018–19 ದಿನಾಂಕ:11.03.2019	30,00,000.00	12,00,000.00	ಪ್ರಕರಣದ ದೂಷಿತ ಕಂಪನಿಯ ಎಂ.ಡಿ ಆದ ನಾಯಮತ್ ವುಲ್ಲಾರವರ ಹೆಸರಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಸೇಲ್ ಅಗ್ರಿಮೆಂಟ್ ಆಗಿದ್ದು, ಸದರಿ ಅಸಲು ಅಗ್ರಿಮೆಂಟ್ ಅಮಾನತ್ತು ಪಡಿಸಿಕೊಂಡಿರುತ್ತದೆ.

Annexure-2

ಕ್ರ. ಸಂ.	ವಾಹನದ ನೋಂದಣಿ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ	ವಾಹನದ ವಿವರ	ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೌಲ್ಯ (ರೂ.ಗಳಲ್ಲಿ)	ಷರಾ
1	2	3	4	5
1	DL-3C AJ-8822(A-6)	S. Metalic Colour Model: Audi TDI Chasis No: WAUZE64F36N192436 Engine No: BMK116956	5,00,000.00	ವಾಹನವು ಸುದ್ದುಗುಂಟೆಪಾಳ್ಯ ಪೊಲೀಸ್ ಠಾಣೆ ರವರ ವಶದಲ್ಲಿರುತ್ತದೆ.

Annexure-3

ಕ್ರ. ಸಂ.		ಮೊತ್ತ (ರೂ.ಗಳಲ್ಲಿ)	ಷರಾ
1	2	3	4
01	ನಗದು	2,65,000.00	ನಗದು ಸುದ್ದುಗುಂಟೆಪಾಳ್ಯ ಪೊಲೀಸ್ ಠಾಣೆರವರ ವಶದಲ್ಲಿರುತ್ತದೆ.

The movable and immovable Properties belonging M/s IBC – Innovative Business Centre as shown in the above Table No. 2 is attached by the Government in exercise of Powers Conferred by Sub Section (2) of Section 3 of the Karnataka Protection of Interest of Depositors in Financial Establishment Act 2004 (Karnataka Act 30 of 2005). Rest of the contents of the above said Notification Dated: 30.05.2020 remains unchanged.

By Order and in the name of the Governor of Karnataka
Sd/-
(K. N. Murthy)
Deputy Secretary to Government
Revenue Department (Special Cell)

DIPR/DDU/872/Alaknanda/2021-22

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POSSESSION NOTICE (IMMOVABLE PROPERTY)
(Under Rule 8(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002)

Whereas the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of The Bhavasara Kshatriya Co-operative Bank Limited, " Sahakara Sadana" No.63/67, 24th Cross, Kilari Road, Bengaluru-560 053 defined as per Rule 2(a) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002, issued Demand Notice under Section 13 (2) of the above Act calling upon the borrowers and legal heir/s and they having failed to repay the demanded amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower/s and legal heir/s and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13 (4) read with Rule 9 of the said Act and actual position is being taken by undersigned. The borrower/s legal heir/s and the public in general is/are hereby cautioned not to deal with the following property/s and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of The Bhavasara Kshatriya Co-operative Bank Limited, Bangalore.

Sl No.	Name of the borrower and property address	Description of the immovable property	Total Balance Due
HEAD OFFICE BRANCH			
01	Sri.Vinod Kumar K.J. bearing Plot No.V-11 (a) in Industrial Estate at Peenya IInd stage of Peenya Industrial Area within the limits of Industrial Area, Peenya 2nd Stage, Yeshwanthpur Hobli, Bangalore North Tq, Bangalore District.	Measurin:East to West 25.10 mtrs North to South: 14.74mtrs & 18.98 mtrs in all measuring 139.30 mtrs. Bounded on the East by: Plot No. V-12 & Shed No.C-183 West by: Boundary Road, North by : Plot No.P-184, South by: Shed No.C-183. Possession taken on: 15.07.2021	As on 22.06.2021 Rs.75,28,012.00
MALLESHWARAM BRANCH			
01	1. Smt.Malini N 2. Sri.Jagadeesha New No.18, Formed in Survey/Assessment No.18/1, Old Khatha No.208, New BBMP Khatha No.215, situated at Nelagadaranahalli Village, Yeshwathpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore presently coming under the limits of BBMP Ward No.39.	Measuring: East to West :40 feet North to South : 30 feet Bounded on the East by : 25 feet Road, West by : Site No.15, North by : Site No.19, South by: Site No.17. Possession taken on: 15.07.2021	As on 09.07.2021 Rs. 53,45,789-00

Place: Bengaluru
Date: 15.07.2021

Sd/- Authorised Officer
The Bhavasara Kshatriya Co-operative Bank Ltd., Bengaluru

यूनियन बैंक Union Bank of India

UNION BANK OF INDIA

(A Government of India Undertaking)
M G ROAD BRANCH
No.114, M G Road, Bengaluru-560001.
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POSSESSION NOTICE [Rule - 8 (1)] (For immovable Property)

Whereas...The undersigned being the authorized officer of the **Union Bank of India M G Road Branch, Bangalore** (name of the institution) under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 (54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(2) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice dated **20.04.2021** calling upon the Borrowers /mortgagors /guarantors- **(1) Mr. N Yagantieshwaraiah** S/o N Nuthanpati, **(2) Mrs. N Dhanalakshmi** W/o N Yagantieshwaraiah both are residing at No.8, 2nd Floor, 2nd Cross, Anugraha Layout, Akash Nagar, Bengaluru-560016 and also residing at Plot No.88, Nisarg Badavani, Hatalgeri Road, Near Ring Road, Gadag-582101 to repay the dues mentioned in the notice being of **Rs.1,51,09,091.30** (Rupees One Crore Fifty One Lakh Nine Thousand Ninety One and Paise Thirty Only) as on **31.03.2021** within 60days from the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under sub-section (4) of Section 13 of Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement Act rule 2002, on this the **16.07.2021.**

The borrowers in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **Union Bank of India, M G Road Branch, Bangalore** for an amount of **Rs.1,51,09,091.30** (Rupees One Crore Fifty One Lakh Nine Thousand Ninety One and Paise Thirty Only) as on **31.03.2021** and interest/ cost/ expenses thereon.

The Borrower's and Guarantor's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the Residential Unit bearing No.5, Khatha No.119/129/115/125/31/2/5, having Super built-up area of 272.68 Square meters, or 2935 Sq.feet, constructed on the Plot bearing No.5, measuring 135.94 Square meters or 1463 Square feet, forming part of land measuring 1 Acre 35 Guntas out of 5 acres 13 guntas bearing Old Sy No.28, New Sy No.31/2, Samruddhi Mystic Wind, Situated at Nimbekaipura Village Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, (Earlier Hosakote Taluk) Bangalore District, E-Khatha No.150200401601420081, and bounded as follows:- East by: Part of Sy Unit No.6, West by: Unit No.4, North by: Compound Wall, South by: Drive Way.

Date: 16.07.2021
Place: Bangalore

Authorised Officer
Union Bank of India

STATE BANK OF INDIA

Retail Assets Central Processing Centre-1
Opp. Ramakrishna Ashram, Basavanagudi, Bengaluru-560004
Ph No.080-25943338, 25943336 & 25943337
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POSSESSION NOTICE

Under Rule - 8 (1) (For immovable property)

A/c. No's.HL : 64203884812 /64052322283/64203890462/40735/56

WHEREAS, The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the State Bank of India, under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 (No. 3 of 2002) issued a Demand Notice dated **20.04.2019** calling upon the borrower: **Sri.Mahesh K** S/o. Kariappa to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.76,41,672/-** (Rupees Seventy Six Lakhs Forty One Thousand Six Hundred and Seventy Two only) as on 14.04.2019 with future interest at the contractual rate on the aforesaid amount together with incidental expenses, cost and charges thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the properties described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under section13 (4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 and 9 of the said rules on **16.07.2021.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of the State Bank of India for an amount of **Rs.70,86,143/-** (Rupees Seventy Lakhs Eighty Six Thousand One Hundred and Forty Three only) as on 07.07.2021 and interest + expenses thereon.

The borrowers' / mortgagors' attention is invited to provisions of sub-section(8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured asset.

DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

1. All that piece and parcel of the residential property bearing No.43, Municipal No.43, PID No.38-155-43/ New PID No.127-WO146-5, House list No.3877/41, Khatha No.2966, situated at Survey No.109, Nagarbhavi Village, YeshwanthpurHobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, BBMP old Ward No.38, New Ward No. 127, 2nd Main, Shakti Garden, Kalyannagar, Bengaluru standing in the name of Sri.Mahesh K S/o.Kariappa, measuring East to West : 30 feet and North to South: 48 feet, in all measuring 1440 sq.ft, with RCC building having ground, first and second floor measuring 10 square each and together measuring 30 squares and bounded on : East by Site No.42, West by : Site No.44, North by : Road, South by : Site No.25.
2. All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing Site No.64, 2nd Block, Gnanabharathi (Nagadevanahalli) Layout, formed and developed by Bengaluru Development Authority, Bengaluru, Bruhut Bengaluru MahanagaraPalike has assigned the property as Municipal New No.65/870/64, measuring East to West : 12.20 mtrs and North to South : 9.14 mtrs, in all totally measuring 111.51 sq.mtrs, consisting of totally 18 square building in Ground Floor 8 square and First Floor 10 square building with RCC Roof, granite flooring, teak wood door with vacant space, standing in the name of Sri.Mahesh K, S/o.Kariappa, bounded on : East by : Road, West by : Site No.61, North by : Site No.65, South by : Site No.63.

Place:Bengaluru
Date: 16.07.2021

Sd/- Authorised Officer
STATE BANK OF INDIA
RACPC-1, Basavangudi, Bengaluru

Bank of Baroda

Cholanagar Branch, No. 38, Thimakka Layout, CIL Main Road, CHOLANAGAR,BANGALORE–560032 Phone: (080) 23258004,

POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable property)

Whereas The undersigned being the authorised officer of the BANK OF BARODA under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (Second) Ordinance Act, 2002 (Ord. 3 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with rule 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice dated 06-04-2021 calling upon the borrower **Shri. M. Venkataranga Reddy and Mr. D. Rajashekhar Reddy** to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.1,05,65,543.46 [Rupees One Crore Five Lakhs Sixty Five Thousand Five Hundred Forty Three and Paise Forty Six only)** within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/ her under Section 13(4) of the said Ordinance Act read with rule 9 of the said rules on this **13th day of July of the year 2021.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the Bank of Baroda for an amount of **Rs.1,05,65,543.46 [Rupees One Crore Five Lakhs Sixty Five Thousand Five Hundred Forty Three and Paise Forty Six only)** and interest thereon.

Description of the Immovable Property: Residential property bearing site No. 73 & 74, Khaneshumari Katha No. 175/B of Mannorayanapalya Village, Hamlet of Cholanayakanahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, now portion of Corporation No. 4/1 , PID No. 96-69- 4/1, situated at 3rd Cross Road, Seethappa Layout , Corporation Ward No. 96, Bangalore measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 25 feet in all totally measuring 1000 Sq ft and bounded as under : East By: Property of Muninanjappa Reddy, West By: Road, North By : Remaining property of G Chowdappa, South By : Property No. 75 belongs to Chowdappa

Date : 13-07-2021
Place: Bangalore

Sd/- Authorized Officer
Bank Of Baroda

बैंक ऑफ़ बड़ौदा Bank of Baroda

Bank of Baroda

(A Government of India Undertaking)

Brigade Road Branch (Trinity Circle), No.41/2, Ground Floor, Vijaya Towers, MG Road, Trinity Circle, Bangalore-560001 Tel No.- 080- 2501 1524 / 307 / 378, brigad@bankofbaroda.com

POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable Property) APPENDIX IV under Act- Rule 8(1)

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of **Bank of Baroda, Brigade Road Branch, Bangalore** under Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act No. 54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued demand notices dated calling upon the following Borrowers/Guarantors/ Mortgagers to repay the amount mentioned in the notice with further interest / cost etc,. **within 60 days** from the date of the said notice. Details of demand notices such as date of issue and loan outstanding amount are mentioned against each borrower under.

1. Name of the Borrowers/Mortgagers: (1) Mr. Chandrappa K.M (2) Mr. C.Prasanna (3) Sri.C.Satish S/o K.M. Chandrappa all re residing at No. 1/2, 8th Block, Yellamma Temple Street, Koramangala, Bangalore-560095.

Demand notice dated : 05.04.2021 **Possession Notice Date :13.07.2021**

Total amount mentioned in the notice: Rs.16,30,948.68 (Rupees Sixteen Lakhs Thirty Thousand Nine Hundred Forty Eight and Sixty Eight Paise Only) and interest hereon.

Description of Immovable Property: All the part and parcel mortgage of property No. 12, Located at (BBMP) Ward NO. 67) Khatha No. 2/1 and 2/2, Koramangala VIII Block, Begur Hobli, Bangalore-560095, measuring total 2178 Sq.Ft and bounded by: On the East by: 5' Passage and Hanumappa's Property, On the West by : Rajappa Property, On the North by Private Property, On the South by : Road.

2. Name of the Borrowers/Mortgagers: (1) Mrs. Lalitha H.E 2) Mr. N.Srinivas both are residing at No. 3024, Munivenkatappa Garden, Near Sri Krishna Dharmaraya Temple, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore-560099, and also both are residing No. 8/1A3, Janjar No.351, Hebbagodi Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore South Taluk.

Demand notice dated : 07.04.2021 **Possession Notice Date : 13.07.2021**

Total amount mentioned in the notice: Rs.21,69,318.23 (Rupees Twenty One Lakhs Sixty Nine Thousand Three Hundred and Eighteen and Twenty Three Paise only) and interest hereon.

Description of Immovable Property: All the part and parcel Mortgage of property located at No.8/1A3, Janjar No. 351, Hebbagodi Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore South Taluk, measuring total 2778 Sq Ft and bounded by : On the East by : Property of Muniratna, On the West by : Raja Kaluve Passage of Krishnappa, On the North by : 10 feet Road, On the South by : Property of Narayanappa, Nagappa and Krishnappa.

3. Name of the Borrowers/Mortgagers: (1) Mr. Krishnappa (2) Mr.Manjunath, both are residing at No. 3893, Near Biocon, Hebbagodi Village, Hosur Road, Bangalore-560100, and also both are residing at No.400, Sy.No. 44/4A, Behind Biocon, Hebbagodi, off Hosur Main Road, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore-560009.

Demand notice dated : 06.04.2021 **Possession Notice Date : 13.07.2021**

Total amount mentioned in the notice: Rs. 32,31,284/- (Rupees Thirty Two lakhs Thirty One Thousand Two Hundred Eighty Four Only) and interest hereon.

Description of Immovable Property: All the part and parcel Mortgage of property bearing Katha No.400, Sy.No. 44/4A, Behind Biocon, Hebbagodi, off Hosur Main Road, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore-560099, Totally measuring 11,162 Sq.ft and bounded by :- On the East by : Muniyappa's Property, On the West by : Munishami's Property, On the North by : Road, On the South by : Raja Kaluve.

The above borrowers / Mortgagers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers / Guarantors / Mortgagers and the public in general that the under signed has taken possession of the properties described herein above in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under section 13(4) of the said act read with the rule 8 of the said Rules on above dates The Borrowers / Guarantors / Mortgagers in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of **Bank of Baroda, Brigade Road Branch, Bangalore** for the amount mentioned against their names with further interest accrued thereon cost.

The Borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Sub-Section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Date : 13.07.2021
Place : Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Bank of Baroda

इंडियन बैंक Indian Bank ALLAHABAD

BANGALORE JAYANAGAR BRANCH,
1540/22, 22nd Main, 39E Cross,
4th 'T' Block,Jayanagar-560041

POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable Property)
(Under Rule-8(1) of Security Interest (Enforcement)Rules,2002)

A/c: Mr. Amarendra, (50435643730), Branch:JAYANAGAR (e-AB)

Whereas : The undersigned being the Authorized officer of **Indian Bank** under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice dated **08/04/2021** calling upon the borrowers—**1. Mr. Amarendra,** S/O Byranna **(Borrower),** At :700 Gurudadhri, BHCS Layout 4th Stage, Uttarhalli, Near Patalamma Tample, Bangalore 560061. **2. Smt. Kempamma** W/o Byranna **(Guarantor),** At: Binnamangala, Po Nelmangala Bangalore Rural 562123 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice **Rs.48,30,289/- (Rupees Forty Eight Lakh Thirty Thousand two Hundred Eighty Nine)** as on **06/04/2021** plus interest and cost thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with rule 8 of the said rules, on this**15thday of July,2021.** The borrower/guarantors in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the Indian Bank for an amount of **Rs.48,30,289/- (Rupees Forty Eight Lakh Thirty Thousand two Hundred Eighty Nine)** as on **06/04/2021** plus interest and cost thereon

The borrower's attention is invited to the provision of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Description of the Immovable Property : Schedule A :
(Description of entire property)

Item No.	Khatha No.	Extent areas of land/building	Location Sub-District/District/Village /Municipality etc.	Boundaries for entire property
1	Property bearing New Municipal No.4, Old No. 8 & 9, in Sy. No. 19/2.	Measuring 5506.50Sq.ft.,	Property situated at Kadirenahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, now property comes under the administrative jurisdiction of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike.	East: Old Property No. 10, West: New No. 3, Old Property No. 7, North : Road, South: Property belonging to Kanaka Gruha Nirmana Sahakara Niyamitha.

Schedule "B" Property
(Undivided right, title and interest)

Item No.	Khatha No.	Extent areas of land/building	Location Sub-District/District/Village /Municipality etc.	Boundaries for entire property
1.	Apartment bearing No. 001 (South Facing), on the Ground Floor, in the apartment building known as "SIRI SNOW DROPS".	Measuring 1100Sq.ft., of super built up area together with 200Sq.ft., of undivided share, right, title and interest in the Schedule 'A' Property along with one covered car parking Area in basement.	Property situated at Kadirenahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, now property comes under the administrative jurisdiction of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike.	East: Private Property, West: Flat No. 004 & Stairs, Balcony. North : Road, South: Flat No. 002.

Schedule "C" Property
(Description of Flat)

All that Piece and parcel of Apartment bearing No. Flat no. 001, on the Ground Floor situated at "SIRI SNOW DROPS " constructed on the Schedule "A" containing Two Bedrooms with attached bathroom, Living, kitchen-etc, along with one covered car parking space together with 200 sq feet of undivided share right title and interest in the land described in the schedule "A" property.

Date : 15.07.2021
Place : Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Officer
For Indian Bank

STATE BANK OF INDIA

Retail Assets Central Processing Centre (RACPC -4) White Field (17753)
No.117, Ground Floor, Road No.3, Neil Rao Towers, EPIP Phase – 1, Whitefield, **Bengaluru-560066, Tel:** 080-28411010/28411020
Email: sbi.17753@sbi.co.in

POSSESSION NOTICE

Under Rule - 8 (1) (For immovable property)
Account No: HBL/ Home Loan: 62183579755

To:

1. **Smt. Soumya Vinod,** W/o Sri. A.S. Vinod,No.260/1, Lakshmi Priya Nilaya, H.A.L Post, Konena Agrahara, Bengaluru -560017
 Also at: Smt. Soumya Vinod,W/o Sri. A.S. Vinod, Site No. 13, Old Site No.9, PID No. 73-77-13, Property No. 64/4, Khata No.124/102, Konena Agrahara, Borewell Road, Bengaluru -560017.
2. **Sri. A.S. Vinod,** S/o Sri. M. Sadasivan Nair, No.260/1, Lakshmi Priya Nilaya, H.A.L Post, Konena Agrahara, Bengaluru -560017
 Also at: Sri. A.S. Vinod, S/o Sri. M. Sadasivan Nair, Site No. 13, Old Site No.9, PID No. 73-77-13, Property No. 64/4, Khata No.124/102, Konena Agrahara, Borewell Road,Bengaluru - 560017.

WHEREAS, The undersigned being the Chief Manager & Authorised Officer of the State Bank of India, under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated **01.03.2021** calling upon the borrowers: **Smt. Soumya Vinod** W/o Sri. A.S. Vinod and **Sri. A.S. Vinod** S/o Sri. M. Sadasivan Nair to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.19,87,750/-** (Rupees Nineteen Lakhs Eighty Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty only) as on 01.03.2021 and interest & expenses thereon, within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrowers/guarantors/mortgagers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers/guarantors/mortgagers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this the **15th day of July month of the year 2021.**

The borrowers / Guarantors/Mortgagers in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of State Bank of India, for an amount of Rs. **19,38,083/-** (Rupees Nineteen Lakhs Thirty Eight Thousand Eighty Three only) as on 13.07.2021 and further interest from 14.07.2021 costs, etc., thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

SCHEDULE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of residential house bearing BBMP Bifurcation Khata No.13, PID No. 73-74-13, (Old Site No.9), property No.64/4, Khata No.92, then changed as No.147/A to D (Khata No.124/102) site measuring East to West 42 feet, North to South 34 feet along with 30 squares RCC roofed residential house therein (10 square in ground floor, 10 square house in first floor and 10 squares house in second floor) and situated at Konena Agrahaara, Borewell Road, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, within BBMP limits, Bangalore and Bounded as follows: East by: HAL property, West by : Road, North by : Vendors property new BBMP Bifurcation No.13/, Site No.8 with house, South by: House No.10.

Place:Bengaluru
Date: 15.07.2021

Sd/- Authorised Officer
STATE BANK OF INDIA,
RACPC- IV Whitefield, Bengaluru

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UNION BANK OF INDIA

(A Government of India Undertaking)
Thanisandra Branch,
No.89/1, Arkavathy Layout,
Near Rashtrothana Vidya Kendra,
Bangalore -560077.
Ph: 080-28443544, E-mail : bm1953@unionbankofindia.com

POSSESSION NOTICE [Rule - 8 (1)] (For immovable Property)

Whereas...The undersigned being the authorized officer of the **Union Bank of India (Erstwhile Andhra Bank) Thanisandra Branch, Bangalore** (name of the institution) under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 (54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(2) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice dated **06.04.2021** calling upon the Borrowers /Mortgagors /Guarantors- **(1) Sundresh N R** S/o Ramegowda M P, House No.10083, Sobha Aspire, 8th Floor, 10th Block, Nagasandra, Opp Metro Station, Bangalore-560073. **(2) Savina J** S/o Jayaram A T, House No.10083, Sobha Aspire, 8th Floor, 10th Block, Nagasandra, Opp Metro Station, Bangalore-560073. repay the dues mentioned in the notice being of **Rs.76,92,598.49** (Rupees Seventy Six Lakh Ninety Two Thousand Five Hundred Ninety Eight and paise Forty Nine Only) as on **31.03.2021** within 60days from the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under sub-section (4) of Section 13 of Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement Act rule 2002, on this the **16/07/2021.**

The borrowers in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **Union Bank of India (Erstwhile Andhra Bank) Thanisandra Branch Bangalore** for an amount of **Rs.76,92,598.49** (Rupees Seventy Six Lakh Ninety Two Thousand Five Hundred Ninety Eight and paise Forty Nine Only) and interest/cost/expenses thereon.

The Borrower's and Guarantor's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Schedule –A; All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing Corporation No.8, situated at 1st Main Road, Chikka Banaswadi Main Road in Corporation Ward No.84, Benniganahalli (PID No.84-9-8), Bangalore, measuring East to West:40 feet and North to South: 70 feet totally 2800 Sq.ft and bounded on East by: Private Property, West by: Private Property, North by: Road, South by: Private Property.

Schedule –B : 400 Square Feet of undivided share, right, title and interest of land in the total land in the composite Schedule 'A' Property referred above.

Schedule-C : All that piece and parcel of the Apartment bearing Flat No.SF-201, Second Floor, having super built up area of 1640 Sq.ft, in the building "Silver Dale" being constructed over Schedule A Property with the floors, ceiling and walls between units jointly belonging to such apartment owner equally including common area with one covered car parking space in Basement, containing three bed rooms with attached bath rooms. Kitchen together with RCC roofing, vitrified Tiles flooring, separate electricity, common water including common area rights. (Property description as specified in the Sale Deed No.21095/2018-19 Dated 14.03.2019)

Date: 16.07.2021
Place: Bangalore

Authorised Officer
Union Bank of India

CUB TRUST AND EXCELLENCE SINCE 1904

CITY UNION BANK LIMITED

Credit Recovery and Management Department
Administrative Office : No. 24-B, Gandhi Nagar, Kumbakonam - 612 001. **E-Mail id :** crmd@cityunionbank.in, **Ph :** 0435-2432322, **Fax :** 0435-2431746

PUBLICATION - DEMAND NOTICE

Notice under Section 13(2) of The Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 - Sent on **23-04-2021** by Registered Post with Acknowledgement Due and the same was **returned by M/s. Vijaya Cements, Mr. P. Vijayasekhar, Mr. C. Ragunath, Mr. K.A. Badrinarayana, M/s. HMS Corporation, Mr. D.G. Purushotham & Mrs. Rajamma.** Hence this.

No.1) M/s. Vijaya Cements, S.F. No.399/2A3, Kandipedu Village, Katpadi, Vellore, Tamil Nadu - 632006. Also At, M/s. Vijaya Cements, No.699/1, Ground Floor, 7th Main, HAL 2nd Stage, Near 80 Feet Road, Indira Nagar, Bangalore - 560038. No.2) Mr. P. Vijayasekhar, S/o. Govinda Chetty, No.800, 14th Cross, J.P. Nagar, 1st Phase, Bangalore - 560078. Also At, Mr. P. Vijayasekhar, S/o. Govinda Chetty, No.289/P, 6th Cross, 5th Main, BSK 3rd Stage, Bangalore - 560038. No.3) Mrs. C.R. Sumalatha, W/o. P. Vijayasekhar, No.800, 14th Cross, J.P. Nagar, 1st Phase, Bangalore-560078. Also At, Mrs. C.R. Sumalatha, W/o. P. Vijayasekhar, No.289/P, 6th Cross, 5th Main, BSK 3rd Stage, Bangalore - 78. No.4) Mr. P. Govinda Chetty, S/o. Late. P. Muniswamy Chetty, No.60, A. Venkatapuram, Vepanjeri, Chittoor, Andhra Pradesh - 517125. No.5) Mr. V. Narasimhalu Naidu, S/o. V. Chinnaswamy Venkata Naidu, No.8-53 D, Keenatamplaii Village, Yadamari, Mandal, Chittoor District - 517127. No.6) Mr. C.Ragunath, S/o. C.V. Narayana Murthy, No.20-42, Naidu Building, Chittoor - 517001. No.7) Mr. M. Ramamoorty, S/o. M. Krishnaiah Chetty, No.5, Anna Nagar, Serkadkut Road, Katpadi Taluk, Vellore District - 632106. No.8) Mr. K.A. Badrinarayana, S/o. K.V. Ananthabadmanabhaiah, No.306, Vijayalakshmi Apartment, Abbaiah Reddy Layout, Kaggadasapura, C.V.Raman Nagar, Bangalore -560093. No.9) M/s. HMS Corporation, No.279, S.I No.564, 1st Floor, Kothanur Village, Uttarahalli, Hubli, Bangalore - 78. No.10) Mr. D.G. Purushotham, S/o. Duddukur Gopalacherry, No.38, 13th Cross, Nataraj Layout, J.P. Nagar, 7th Phase, Bangalore - 560078. No.11) Mrs. Rajamma, W/o. D.G. Purushotham, No.38, 13th Cross, Nataraj Layout, J.P. Nagar, 7th Phase, Bangalore - 560078.

Dear Sir/ Madam,

Sub: Loan account / Overdraft with City Union Bank Limited, Bengaluru Indira Nagar Branch in the name of M/s. Vijaya Cements.

The Bank issued notice under the SARFAESI Act on **23-04-2021** calling upon Nos. 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7 and 8 of you jointly and severally towards the loan account 139120000205178 is **Rs.3,14,95,980/- (Rupees Three Crore Fourteen Lakh Ninety Five Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty Only)**, Nos. 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 of you jointly and severally towards the loan account 501812080063704 is **Rs.4,93,12,422/- (Rupees Four Crore Ninety Three Lakh Twelve Thousand Four Hundred and Twenty Two Only)**, Nos. 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7 and 8 of you jointly and severally towards the loan account 501812080011254 is **Rs.60,44,719/- (Rupees Sixty Lakh Forty Four Thousand Seven Hundred and Nineteen Only)**, Nos. 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 of you jointly and severally towards the loan account 501812080063771 is **Rs.1,74,63,485/- (Rupees One Crore Seventy Four Lakh Sixty Three Thousand Four Hundred and Eighty Five Only)**, Nos. 2, 9, 10 and 11 of you jointly and severally towards the loan account 501712070000923 is **Rs.1,01,56,259/- (Rupees One Crore One Lakh Fifty Six Thousand Two Hundred and Fifty Nine Only)**, Nos. 2, 9, 10 and 11 of you jointly and severally towards the loan account 512020010020842 is **Rs.2,92,75,653/- (Rupees Two Crores Ninety Two Lakhs Seventy Five Thousand Six Hundred and Fifty Three Only)**, Nos. 1, 2 and 3 of you jointly and severally towards the loan account 512020010015782 is **Rs.3,14,82,540/- (Rupees Three Crore Fourteen Lakh Eighty Two Thousand Five Hundred and Forty Only)** as on **22-04-2021** with further interest for 501712070000923 (CUB OSL SPECIAL-BR), 512020010020842 (OLCC), 501812080063771 (CUB OSL TERM EMI-BR) at **12.00%** plus **2.00%** penal interest p.a. (not compounded), 501812080011254 (CUB OSL TERM EMI-BR) at **11.50%** plus **2.00%** penal interest p.a. (not compounded), 139120000205178 (OLCC), 512020010015782 (OLCC) at **11.00%** plus **2.00%** penal interest p.a. (not compounded), 501812080063704 (CUB OSL TERM EMI-BR) at **10.00%** plus **2.00%** penal interest p.a. (not compounded), with monthly rests from **23-04-2021** till the date of repayment. The notice sent to you by Registered Post have been **received by Nos.2, 3, 4, 5 & 7** of you and **returned by Nos. 1, 6, 8, 9, 10 & 11.**

Therefore, we hereby once again call upon you Nos. 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7 and 8 of you jointly and severally towards the loan account 139120000205178 is **Rs.3,14,95,980/- (Rupees Three Crore Fourteen Lakh Ninety Five Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty Only)**, Nos. 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 of you jointly and severally towards the loan account 501812080063704 is **Rs.4,93,12,422/- (Rupees Four Crore Ninety Three Lakh Twelve Thousand Four Hundred and Twenty Two Only)**, Nos. 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7 and 8 of you jointly and severally towards the loan account 501812080011254 is **Rs.60,44,719/- (Rupees Sixty Lakh Forty Four Thousand Seven Hundred and Nineteen Only)**, Nos. 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 of you jointly and severally towards the loan account 501812080063771 is **Rs.1,74,63,485/- (Rupees One Crore Seventy Four Lakh Sixty Three Thousand Four Hundred and Eighty Five Only)**, Nos. 2, 9, 10 and 11 of you jointly and severally towards the loan account 501712070000923 is **Rs.1,01,56,259/- (Rupees One Crore One Lakh Fifty Six Thousand Two Hundred and Fifty Nine Only)**, Nos. 2, 9, 10 and 11 of you jointly and severally towards the loan account 512020010020842 is **Rs.2,92,75,653/- (Rupees Two Crores Ninety Two Lakhs Seventy Five Thousand Six Hundred and Fifty Three Only)**, Nos. 1, 2 and 3 of you jointly and severally towards the loan account 512020010015782 is **Rs.3,14,82,540/-(Rupees Three Crore Fourteen Lakh Eighty Two Thousand Five Hundred and Forty Only)** with further interest for 501712070000923 (CUB OSL SPECIAL-BR), 512020010020842 (OLCC), 501812080063771 (CUB OSL TERM EMI-BR) at **12.00%** plus **2.00%** penal interest p.a. (not compounded), 501812080011254 (CUB OSL TERM EMI-BR) at **11.50%** plus **2.00%** penal interest p.a. (not compounded), 139120000205178 (OLCC), 512020010015782 (OLCC) at **11.00%** plus **2.00%** penal interest p.a. (not compounded), 501812080063704 (CUB OSL TERM EMI-BR) at **10.00%** plus **2.00%** penal interest p.a. (not compounded), with monthly rests from **23-04-2021** till the date of repayment within 60 **days** from the date of this notice failing which Bank will be Constrained to exercise its rights of enforcement of security interest as against the secured assets given in the schedule here under. This Notice is published/issued without prejudice to any other right / remedy available to the Bank.

Notes: 1) That our **139-Bengaluru - Indira Nagar Branch** has also extended financial assistance (CUB OSL SPECIAL-BR:501812080056757) dated **30-09-2019** requested by No.1 of you represented by No. 2 of you as Proprietor for which No.3 of you stood as Co-obligant and Nos. 2, 5, 6, 7 and 8 of you stood as Guarantors for the facility for a total amount of **Rs.1,25,00,000/-** at a ROI of **12%.** The same has been also classified as **NPA** on **28-01-2021** and the outstanding balance as on **22-04-2021** is **Rs. 1,41,40,393/-** plus further interest and penal interest of **2.00%** with monthly rests to be charged from **23-04-2021** till the date of realization.

2) That our **139-Bengaluru - Indira Nagar Branch** has also extended financial assistance (FITL - ADHOC:501912090017441) dated **30-09-2020** requested by No.9 of you represented by No.10 of you as Proprietor for which No.11 of you stood as Co-obligant for the facility for a total amount of **Rs. 17,66,000/-** at a ROI of **12%.** The same has been also classified as **NPA** on **30-11-2020** and the outstanding balance as on **22-04-2021** is **Rs. 18,58,440/-** plus further interest and penal interest of **2.00%** with monthly rests to be charged from **23-04-2021** till the date of realization.

3) That our **139-Bengaluru - Indira Nagar Branch** has also extended financial assistance (FITL - ADHOC:501912090017605) dated **30-09-2020** requested by No.1 of you represented by No.2 of you as Proprietor for which No.4 of you stood as Co-obligant and Nos. 2 and 4 of you stood as Guarantors for the facility for a total amount of **Rs. 18,85,000/-** at a ROI of **11%.** The same has been also classified as **NPA** on **29-01-2021** and the outstanding balance as on **22-04-2021** is **Rs.19,57,153/-** plus further interest and penal interest of **2.00%** with monthly rests to be charged from **23-04-2021** till the date of realization

4) That our **139-Bengaluru - Indira Nagar Branch** has also extended financial assistance (FITL - ADHOC:501912090017604) dated **30-09-2020** requested by No.1 of you for which No.4 of you stood as Co-obligant and Nos. 5, 6, 7 and 8 of you stood as Guarantors for the facility for a total amount of **Rs. 23,68,000/-** at a ROI of **11%.** The same has been also classified as **NPA** on **28-01-2021** and the outstanding balance as on **22-04-2021** is **Rs. 25,24,359/-** plus further interest and penal interest of **2.00%** with monthly rests to be charged from **23-04-2021** till the date of realization.

Immovable Properties Mortgaged to our Bank

Schedule - A : (Property Owned by Mr. P. Vijayasekhar, S/o. Govinda Chetty)

All that piece and parcel of Property bearing Site No. 43-56, Formed in Sy. No. 25/1 each measuring 30 x 40 ft. situated at Kommagatta Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk Bangalore District totally measuring East to West 210 ft. and North to South 80 ft. totally measuring 16,800 Sq.ft. and Bounded on the, East By : Road, West By : Private Property, North By : Road, South By : Road.

Schedule - B : (Property Owned By Mr. P. Vijayasekhar, S/o. Govinda Chetty)

All that piece and parcel of property Site No.2, Khatha No.3, Situated at Doddakallasandra Village, Uthrahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk measuring East to West 70 ft. and North to South 40 ft. in all measuring 2,800 Sq.ft. presently within the limits of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike and bounded on the East by : Site Nos.7 & 8, West by : Road, North by : Site No.3, South by : Private property.

Schedule - C : (Property Owned By Mr. P. Vijayasekhar, S/o. Govinda Chetty)

All that piece and parcel of property Site No.1, Khatha No.3, situated at Doddakallasandra Village, Uthrahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk measuring East to West 70 ft. and North to South 40 ft. in all measuring 2,800 Sq.ft. presently within the limits of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike and bounded on the East by : Site Nos.6 & 7, West by : Road, North by : Site No.2, South by : Private property.

Schedule - D : (Property Owned By Mr. P. Vijayasekhar, S/o. Govinda Chetty)

All that piece and parcel of land bearing Site No.28 formed in Sy.Nos. 87 & 88 converted from Agricultural to Non-Agricultural Residential Purpose as per the order passed by the special deputy commissioner Bangalore District vide No.BDIN/ALN/SR(R)211/1991-92 dated 06-01-1992 and No.BDIN/ALN/SR(R)210/1991-92 dated 06.01.1992 situated at Dodda kallasandra Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore, South Taluk now falling under the limits of BBMP Bangalore measuring East to West 60 ft. North to South 40 ft. toally measuring 2,400 Sq.ft. and bounded on East by : Road, West by : Site No.41, North by : Site No.29, South by : Site belonging to Muttamma.

Schedule - E : (Property Owned By Mr. P. Vijayasekhar, S/o. Govinda Chetty)

All that piece and parcel of the land bearing Site No.37, in Khatha No.4/6A Situated at Raghuvanahalli Village, Utharahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk measuring East to West : Northern Side 52 ft. Southern Side 48 ft. and North to South 40 ft. Totally measuring 2,000 Sq.ft. presently comes under the purview of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike Bangalore, together with all rights appurtenances whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface and bounded on the: East By : Private Property, West By : Road, North By : Site No.38, South By : Site No.36.

Schedule - F: (Property Owned By Mr. C. Ragunath, S/o. C.V. Narayana Murthy)

S.No 188/3, Chittoor District, Chittoor Sub-District, Chittoor Zilla Parishad, Chittoor Mandal, 64 Eruvaram revenue Village accounts within the Chittoor Municipal Limits, Andhra Pradesh, Vacant House Plots 1 to 10 situated in S.No. 188/3 measuring 1111.11 square yards or 10,000 square feet situated within the following boundaries. East :- Plot Nos. 48, 39, 47, West :- Common Road, North :- Plot No 11, South :- Madras-Bangalore Road.

Schedule - G : (Property Owned By Mr. M. Ramamoorty, S/o. M. Krishnaiah Chetty)

All that piece and parcel of the immovable property Tamilnadu State, Vellore District, Vellore Registration District, Katpadi Sub-District, Gudiatham Taluk, Serkadu Village, land in Dry S.No. 75/4B extent 2.64 Acres in this the House Site bounded on the North by Plot of Vankatasamy, South by Plot of Venkatesa Chetty, West by Vellore to Vallimalai Road, East by land of Subramani,

In this midst the site measuring East to West Northern side 90 ft. towards Southern side and 92 ft. towards Northern side, North to South 28 ft. towards Western side and 30 ft. towards Eastern Side totally admeasuring 2,639 Sq.ft. (Approx. 0.06 Acres) with RCC Roofed House constructed thereon in 38 Sq.Mtr., with all Doors, Windows, Wirings, Fittings, Service Connection Nos. 405 and 407 and all other affixtures, this Site and the House is now in New Sub-divided S.No.75/4B6.

Schedule - H : (Property Owned By Mr. K.A. Badrinarayana, S/o. K.V. Ananthabadmanabhaiah)

Apartment bearing Flat No.002, C Block, West facing on Ground Floor in the multistoried building known as Sai Apartments (formerly known as Vijayalakshmi Phase-II) constructed on the Schedule A property, having a super built up area of 900 sq.ft., consisting of 2 Bedrooms, Living, Kitchen, Attached Bath Room and Lavatory with Mosaic Tiled Flooring, Doors made out of Honne Wood and Windows with Steel, inclusive of proportionate share in the Common Area, Passages, Lobbies, Lift, Staircase and other areas of common areas Passages, Lobbies, Amenities, Staircase, Lifts, etc., with all its rights, privileges, appurtenances and easementary rights along with 250 sq.ft. undivided Share, Right and Interest in the immovable property situated over the All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing Site Nos.13, 14, 15 and 16 joint Khatha No.1822/1 issued by K.R.Puram, CMC, situated at Abbaiah Reddy Layout, Kaggadasapura Village, K.R.Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, earlier K.R.Puram CMC limits, Ward No.21 now within BBMP limits, Bangalore jointly measuring in all 11,200 sq.ft. and jointly bounded on the East by : Private Property, West by : Road and private property, North by : Road, South by : Vijayalakshmi Apartments Phase-I.

Schedule - I : (Property Owned By Mr. V. Narasimhalu Naidu, S/o. V. Chinnaswamy Venkata Naidu)

S.No. 84, S.No. 85, Chittoor District, Chittoor Sub-Dt., Chittoor Zilla Parishad, Chittoor Mandal, 77, Gandlapalli Revenue Village accounts within the Chittoor Municipal Limits, Andhra Pradesh. Dry land an extent of Acre 0.45 Cents out of Ac.0.50 Cents in S.No. 84 and 85. Situated within the following boundaries East - Road, West - Reserve Forest, North - Land retained by vendor P. Jayarama Reddy, South - Land of Devarajulu Naidu including trees.

Schedule - J : (Property Owned By Mr. P. Vijayasekhar, S/o. Govinda Chetty)

All that piece and parcel of Property bearing Site Nos. 15, 16, 27 and 28 formed in Sy.No. 25/1 each measuring 30 x 40 ft. situated at Kommagatta Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore District totally measuring East to West 60 ft. and North to South 80 ft. and bounded on the East by : Road, West by : Site Nos. 26 and 17, North by : Road, South by : Road.

Schedule - K : (Property Owned By Mr. P. Vijayasekhar, S/o. Govinda Chetty)

Property Description: All that piece and parcel of property bearing Site Nos. 29, 30, 41 and 42 formed in Sy.No. 25/1 each measuring 30 x 40 ft. situated at Kommagatta Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Banaglore District totally measuring East to West 60 ft. and North to South 80 ft. and totally measuring 4,800 sq.ft. bounded on the East by : Road, West by : Site No. 31 and 40, North by: Road, South by : Road.

Schedule - L : (Property Owned By Mr. P. Vijayasekhar, S/o. Govinda Chetty)

All that piece and parcel of the Residential property bearing Site No.962 having BBMP Khatha No.797/794/790/962 situated in the layout formed by the Vijaya Bank Employees Housing Cooperative Society Limited, Situated at Billekahalli Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore, measuring East to West : 79-0 feet, North to South : 50-0 feet in all measuring 3,975 square feet, bounded on the: East by : Site bearing No.(972) West By : Road, North By : Site bearing No.961, South By : Site bearing No.963

Schedule - M : (Property Owned By Mr. P. Vijayasekhar, S/o. Govinda Chetty)

All that piece and parcel of property bearing Site Nos.31 to 35 formed in Khatha No.25/1 situated at Kommagatta Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk now comes under the limits of BBMP Bangalore measuring East to West 150 ft. and North to South 40 ft. and totally measuring 6,000 sq.ft. bounded on the East by : Site No.30, West by : Private property, North by : Road, South by : Site Nos.36 to 40.

All that piece and parcel of property bearing Site Nos.36 to 40 formed in Khatha No.25/1 situated at Kommagatta Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk now comes under the limits of BBMP Bangalore measuring East to West 150 ft. and North to South 40 ft. and totally measuring 6,000 sq.ft. bounded on the East by : Site No.41, West by : Private property, North by : Site Nos.31 to 35, South by : Road.

Place: Kumbakonam, Date : 13-07-2021 **Authorised Officer**

Regd. Office : 149, T.S.R. (Big) Street, Kumbakonam, Thanjavur District, Tamil Nadu - 612 001, **CIN -** L65110TN1904PLC001287,
Telephone No. 0435-2402322, **Fax :** 0435-2431746, **Website :** www.cityunionbank.com

As many as 441 Kerala students will write SSLC exams in different centres of Dakshina Kannada on Monday. The district administration has made arrangements to take them to the examination centres from the inter-state borders and back

DISTORTED SCHOOL LEARNING POSES THREAT TO CHILDREN

TEAM TNIE

DISTORTED education due to forced online classes, even as a large section of children are unable to avail the basic infrastructure to attend classes in this mode, is threatening an entire generation of children in an unprecedented manner.

Online classes may be a convenience in the face of the pandemic to prevent the spread of infection while trying to pursue education digitally, but the distracted manner of learning can have an adverse impact on children.

Take the instance of eight-year-old Prakash, a Class 2 student at a prominent Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) school in Mangaluru. An entire year of disturbed education has affected his learning capabilities. The result is that this English medium student not just finds it difficult to write alphabets in Kannada or Hindi, but in English too. Although his parents have started sending him for private tuitions closer home, the tuition teacher says she can't teach him Class 2 lessons unless he learns alphabets and other basics.

"Every morning, we get over a dozen pre-recorded videos and audio clips on a dedicated WhatsApp group of the school. We don't know when he will learn all of that," says his worried mother. While this is the case of a child from a better off family, imagine the plight of those from unprivileged sections without access to online tools or connectivity to pursue classes to keep up with the expected academic levels.

Not just children, even senior students are equally miffed. Pouring out her woes, BCom second-year student Aishwarya, who has gone back to her native Kalavase in Chikkamagalur district following closure of colleges and hostels, said her village is 40 km away from the city. "The BSNL network is accessible if we travel 7 km and sometimes, it plays hide and seek. We have to wait for hours. Even if the network is accessible, I have to attend classes sitting by the roadside. It has never been possible to attend classes without disturbance and distractions. I face a lot of academic problems," she says.

Karthik, a student from Kalasa in Mudigere, also in Chikkamagalur district, says it is difficult to listen to online classes as the network is poor. "Because of my inability to attend online classes, I am not getting attendance. Nor have I been satisfied with the classes," he says. "The overall loss of learning — loss of what children learned in the previous class as well as the lack of opportunity to learn in the present class — is likely to be compounded if nothing is done to compensate for it," says senior academician Sangeeta Kattimani.

DISTURBING DATA

The Unified District Information on School Education (UDISE) report-2019-20 (part-pandemic year), says enrolment and physical infrastructure had steadily improved in the state, but a vast majority of schools in Karnataka, mainly government schools, did not possess the means or the method to shift to digital education swiftly. Digital learning was smoother in private schools in the state, but government schools were unable to take that digital leap seamlessly.

As per the report, only 48.37 per cent of schools across the state had computers, of which only 46.34 per cent had a functional computer facility. Only 24.65 per cent of the schools in Karnataka had internet connectivity; this was as low as 7.75 per cent among government schools.

A significant part of the child population was unable to access remote digital learning. Moreover, unstable internet and poor broadband connectivity in rural areas impacted digital learning opportunities.

After the pandemic led to school closure, students paid a heavy price in lost learning, especially in maths and languages, according to surveys.

A year into the online classes era — in June this year — the Department of Public Instruction (DPI) conducted a survey based on the Karnataka High Court directives to check how many school students (Classes 1-10) were able to access gadgets for online classes. Almost 93,01,805 students of a total of 1,05,09,367 admitted to schools in the 2020-21 academic year, were surveyed. The study concluded that 31,27,524 children had no access to any digital devices to avail online classes, notwithstanding the fact that their schools were better equipped for digital learning.

THE IMPACT

The indirect effects of the pandemic has worsened nutritional security of children through disrupted mid-day meals and Anganwadi services, intensifying the burden of malnutrition among children, putting the very concept of education at risk. Kattimani says many students are dealing with added trauma and behavioural changes — mainly anger, lack of concentration and stunted social development. In Hassan, over 50 per cent of students from Classes 1 to 12 failed to get complete education, with the pandemic affecting the education system.

BIG PICTURE

Experts as well as parents have reported that online classes have evoked a fairly poor response from parents as children, who are able to access internet, orient themselves towards games and pornography when unsupervised. Many children reportedly developed eyesight problems and headaches from long screen hours or staring at cell phone screens.

K Narahari, a retired government college principal in Hassan, says the pandemic has not only destroyed the entire education system, but also the sanctity of education.

"Many intelligent students have lost interest in education as they failed to achieve their goals as planned. The number of dropouts may increase among the average students as they completely lose interest in studies. They may start searching for jobs due to their family's financial situation, while the poorer students are happier with online classes as they are getting cell phones for games and chats," he says.

A senior doctor from Dharwad Institute of Mental Health and Neurosciences (DIMHANS) says offline classes or direct teaching helps students understand lessons in an effective way. If the student doesn't understand something, the teacher directly comes to help. But online education is not as effective.

"The government should take massive measures to control the pandemic and vaccinate all students as early as possible. If schools are reopened, it will help students, parents and prevent child labour, child marriage and improve mental and physical health," he says.

EFFORTS TOWARDS CORRECTION

The lack of internet connectivity has forced students of Kattinakaru and Karani villages in Sagar taluk of Shivamogga district to form an association called 'Kattinakaru Karani Network Horata Samiti' and threatened to boycott the taluk and zilla panchayat elections if their demand for good connectivity is not met.

Prakash Anchan, president, Sarakari Shale Ulisi Belesi Rajya Samiti, a forum for government schools, says government schools are the worst-hit by the pandemic. "Online education and Vidyagama hardly helped government school kids, especially in rural areas due to reasons like parents' inability to get smart phones, network and power issues, etc," he says.

(With inputs from Vincent D'Souza, Pearl Maria D'Souza, Marx Tejaswi, Udaya Kumar BR, Prajna GR, Raghu Koppar, Ramkrishna Badseshi, Devaraja Hirehalli and Arunkumar Huralimath)

Children are not learning how to manage their emotions, communication skills, etc. When students come back to schools, they will not know how to connect and relate with others. Parents are also getting frustrated keeping an eye on the child and many a times, leave the child to themselves. Children are not learning management of emotions. A single child can throw tantrums, and doesn't have to deal with other people at home. Whereas in a school, they are made to deal with different types of situations. With the disruption in schooling, students lack the understanding of basic life skills to deal with people, get along if some one bullies you, team work, physical development through sports. All these have come to a standstill whereas otherwise, in school, students went the rough and tumble. They were in school not just exposed to the physical realm but also an emotional one -- how to deal with disappointments, victories, for instance if they got selected into a team. When all these aspects add up, children lose out. It's just as if you take an animal and put in a zoo, the personality of the animal changes, something of that nature will happen here too. What's worse is that I do not hear much on the preparations for the mental and emotional impact on children on a macro level. There is very big impact on children. However, since the reopening os schools boils down to 'the risk to lives of children', we leave decisions to the experts. There are WHO guidelines on life skills to be imparted. Thus, on a macro level, we need to teach the teachers and parents and thereby students, instead of just syllabus

Ali Khwaja,
Counsellor, trainer and life skills coach, and Chairman of Banjara Academy

PROBLEM IN KODAGU

Proper mobile network – even uninterrupted 2G network, is an unaffordable luxury to rural residents of Kodagu. Hundreds of rural students across the district are denied online education due to non-availability of proper network. While BSNL is the main network provider in the district, the downfall of the telecom company has hurt the education of several rural students in the district. Rural students across South Kodagu were spotted climbing trees to access uninterrupted internet connection. A school teacher in Somwarpet taluk even built a tree house for students to access internet connection. Representatives in the district seem unconcerned about the growing network issue.

Huge rush was seen at SM Street in Kozhikode, the commercial hub of the city, on Friday | TP SOORAJ

Kerala eases Covid curbs for festival

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@T'Puram

EVEN as the Covid test positivity rate (TPR) continues to remain above 10% in the state, the government has decided to allow shops in areas under triple lockdown to open under certain restrictions on Monday, on account of Bakrid.

A decision to this effect was taken at a high-level meeting chaired by Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan to take stock of the state's Covid situation.

The meeting also decided to provide more relaxations in the restrictions imposed in local bodies under 'A' and 'B' categories (with TPR less than 5% and 10%, respectively). Shops selling and repairing electronic and household appliances will be allowed to function from 7am to 8pm in such areas from Mondays to Fridays. On special days, up to 40 people will be allowed in places of worship.

"Beauty parlours will also be allowed to function in A and B category local bodies, with staff who have taken at least one dose of Covid vaccine. On the lines of permission given earlier for serial shooting, film shooting will also be permitted," the CM said.

TS official issues warning ahead of Bonalu, Bakrid

Hyderabad: The Telangana Director of Public Health (DPH) Dr G Srinivasa Rao, on Saturday, warned the people of Telangana regarding the need to take every precaution to prevent the occurrence of a third wave, in view of the two upcoming major festivals of Bonalu and Bakrid. He stressed on the need for wearing masks properly, hand sanitation and physical distancing. **ENS**

Kambala jockey Srinivas alleges abuse, files plaint

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Mangaluru

MOODBIDRI police have registered a case after Kambala jockey Srinivas Gowda filed a complaint against a person named Prashanth Bangera for abusing him and his family and issuing a death threat.

Srinivas Gowda told The New Sunday Express that he received a call on Thursday from Bangera who claimed to be associated with Rama Sene. "Initially I assumed that he was from media. However, he later started abusing me for no reason. He also used derogatory words against me and my family.

He asked me to go to his real estate office at Car Street in Mangaluru offering to explain the history of Kambala. Later, he called me to the house of 'Adhikari (a BJP leader) which I refused. He also said I know nothing about Kambala. I asked him to come to Moodbidri at 2 pm on Thursday but he never turned up even though I reached there on time.I spoke to him for the first time," he said, adding that he filed a complaint because Bangera had abused his family too. Moodbidri police said that they have registered an FIR and summoned the accused for questioning.

Mid-day meal cost to be given to students

SUNIL PATIL @BELAGAVI

AS free mid-day meals could not be served to government school students during the Covid pandemic, the State Government has now decided to give 'cooking cost' of mid-day meals to students from first to eighth standards.

The government will transfer the amount to bank accounts of students through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT). The decision to pay the students was taken as the midday meal scheme was stopped for 50 days during May and June due to the lockdown. The ration for mid-day meal has already been distributed to the families of these students under the public distribution system.

Parents have been told to open bank accounts to enable transfer of money and headmasters instructed to feed the data of bank accounts of students on 'SATS MDM' platform of the education department. Already, most students have bank accounts to avail of government scholarships. But children in the first standard may not have bank accounts and their parents have been asked to open zero balance accounts. Education Department Commissioner Anbukumar has instructed his officials to inform all branches of nationalised banks and post offices to allow opening of such accounts.

The government on July 12 wrote to chief executive officers of zilla panchayats, deputy directors of the department of public instruction, block education officers and zilla panchayat midday meals officers informing them about the DBT scheme.

EXPRESS READ

TS, AP need to get irrigation projects approved

Vijayawada: The state governments of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana have a tedious task ahead of getting the "unapproved" projects in Krishna and Godavari basins cleared by January 14, 2021, which is six months from July 15 -- the day the Centre notified the jurisdiction of Krishna River Management Board (KRMB) and Godavari River Management Board (KRMB), as projects sans permits "shall cease to operate" from the said date.

Minister visits distraught student, promises help

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WORRIED over not being able to write SSLC exam, a girl studying at the Alvas Educational Institution in Moodabidri of Dakshina Kannada district had reportedly thought of ending her life at her residence at Hanumanthapura in Koratagere recently.

Responding quickly, Primary and Secondary Education Minister S Suresh Kumar visited Greeshma Nayak N on Saturday morning and promised her all help including an opportunity to write the supplementary examination to be held in August. She failed to receive a hall ticket as she had not taken admission.

Primary and Secondary Education Minister S Suresh Kumar speaks to Greeshma's father at their house at Hanumanthapura in Tumakuru district on Saturday | EXPRESS

"I promised her that she will be promoted to PUC I and she in turn assured me that she will prepare well. These incidents must not happen and hence I will order an inquiry by the joint commissioner of the public instructions department," he informed.

He admitted that despite many reminders, several students across the state have not taken admissions.

He gave instructions to Madhugiri DDPI Revanasiddappa to take the responsibility of registering Greeshma's name for the supplementary examinations and also to join her to PUC I in a "good" college.

Greeshma had joined the Alvas Residential High School, but due to lockdown, she could not take admission for class X. Since she had not paid the fees, the institution had not registered her for the examination.

SSLC students who didn't submit photograph can still sit for exam

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WITH SSLC examinations approaching, education department officials are trying to troubleshoot the hall ticket problem, and claim that most of the issues are resolved.

While SSLC Director Sumangala said that around 12 complaints were filed and resolved, the Department of Public Instruction data shows that there are 30 complaints from Bengaluru South alone.

Commissioner of Public Instruction Anbu Kumar told TNIE that the complaints were mostly about students not submitting their photographs, which is printed on the OMR sheets.

However, Kumar said block education officers have been authorised to allow students to sit for the exam even if they have not submitted their photographs earlier. The officers can attest to the photographs in their plain hall tickets at the exam hall. Such students are advised to visit the centre at least an hour in advance.

However, if anyone has specific problems, they may call the board's helpline number at 080-23310075 / 76.

Meanwhile, a top official of the primary and secondary education department said that even though an official announcement has not been made, the results may be declared within 20 days from the date of the last exam.

More than 24K masks donated to SSLC examinees

Bengaluru: In a student-led initiative, Vidyashilp Academy student-run Tavasya Foundation donated 24,100 masks to Bengaluru Government School students who are writing their SSLC examination. As many as eight students spearheaded the initiative. "We thought of donating masks to government school students who would be in need of them," said the students.

August 31 deadline for final yr exams

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THE academic session (online/offline/blended mode) for the intermediate semester should be started as early as possible, following prescribed Covid protocols, UGC stated.

For the current academic session of 2020-21, UGC has set August 31 as deadline to hold final-year exams, either online or offline. "Higher education institutions may plan classes, breaks, conduct of examinations, semester break etc. during October 1, 2021 to July 31, 2022, following necessary protocols/ guidelines/ directions/ advisories issued by the Central/State Governments," the guidelines said. The coming academic year will end on July 31 and the next academic session is scheduled to commence on August 1, 2022.

Zero charges if students cancel admission

UGC has instructed higher education institutions that till October 31, 2021, they should provide a full refund (zero-cancellation charges) if a student chooses to cancel admission or migrate. This is valid for 2021-2022 as a special case in view of the financial difficulties faced by parents of students.

You can fool people. You can fool anybody anytime of the day, but you can't fool yourself. — Whitney Houston

ANSWERS INDIANS WANT FROM MONSOON SESSION

THE THIRD EYE

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THIS week the elected representatives will troop into Parliament to represent the electors. Ostensibly! Frequently, time set aside to ponder over public cause is hijacked by puerile puffery. If the past is to be treated as the prologue, the four-week Monsoon Session will witness high political drama and the amplification of allegations and counter-allegations ricocheting off the walls of the 1927 edifice.

The pall of grief and gloom unleashed by the pandemic, with millions pushed over the edge of penury, signals the need to put public purpose above partisan politics. The expectation though wholly legitimate may be a tall ask — given the reign of rhetoric. Hopefully, the elected will find the occasion, between bouts of hyperbole and *halla bol*, to seek answers to questions of those struggling to preserve lives and livelihoods.

What's Vexing Vaccination: Everyday thousands find themselves standing in the queue of denial as centres run out of vaccines. Compounding the confusion is data on availability. India needs to vaccinate over 92 crore 18-plus individuals with two doses. In May, Indians were told 216 crore vaccine doses will be available by the end of December. By June, the figure dropped by 81 crore to 135 crore doses. Yes, 40 crore doses have been administered but the run rate is slow and the ratio of vaccinated to population is low. So, how does the government plan to bridge the gap? Is there a PPP plan to overcome hesitancy and the rural-urban divide? And, must the scheduling of vaccination on CoWin be such a torture?

What About Schooling: The number of children between 5 and 18 years is estimated at around 300 million. For nearly 18 months, schooling is in suspended and partial animation. Yes, education is a state subject but the loss of schooling will be a national calamity if not addressed urgently. Can the new education minister bring new energy and skills to collaborate with states to address this urgently?

Can Inflation Be Tamed: Food and fuel inflation are denting both demand and growth. Indeed, the RBI has observed that inflation is likely to persist even though "aggregate demand is yet to take shape". What is critical is context. As this column observed the combination of low returns on savings and high inflation has ravaged family budgets. Can the government spell out its playbook? Persistent inflation carries economic and political consequences.

Cost Of Fuel Taxes: This year, Centre and states will likely harvest over ₹5.5 lakh crore in fuel taxes. Fuel taxes are impacting low-yield segments such as agriculture, adding costs to the entire value chain as also global competitiveness of exporters and MSMEs who employ the bulk of the workforce. Is this a sustainable model for creating a low cost, high growth economy? Does the government have a plan for de-addiction?

How Many Deaths: The issue of compensation for Covid victims awaits judicial verdict. The Ministry of Health states total deaths due to Covid as 4,13,091. The Annual Report of the Ministry of Home Affairs in 2019 stated that a fifth of deaths are not reported and the Annual Report of Medical Certification of Cause of Death (2017) states less than a fourth of deaths were certified. How does the government estimate who and how many people died of Covid?

The Job Loss Tally: Data on unemployment, rather than on employment, in India is at best sketchy. The Economic Survey uses NSO 68th Round besides EPF, ESI and NPF. In 2021, the Survey cites the Periodic Labour Force 2017-18 to state that worker population ratio is 34.7 (that is percentage of employed persons in the population). Does the government know how many jobs have been lost due to the pandemic? What is the current status? And, what is the state of women workforce participation?

Vacant Government Posts: There are around a million government posts vacant across governments — Centre and states. The central government has over six lakh vacant posts of which 2.79 lakh are in the railways and 1.11 lakh in central paramilitary forces. In the states, over 5.31 lakh posts of police personnel, 3.42 lakh teachers are lying vacant. Given the circumstance of inadequate job creation, the moot question is what explains the persistence of vacant posts across ministries in the Centre and in the states?

Caring For Centres: In December 2019, the government revealed that '3,62,940 AWCs do not have toilets facilities and 1,59,568 AWCs do not have drinking water facilities.' Given the pandemic and the critical need for access to care have amends been made? In September 2020, the government cited Rural Health Service 2019 report and had revealed that PHCs were understaffed — posts of 1,484 doctors, 5,800 nurse, 7,220 pharmacists, 12,462 lab technicians and 6,492 auxiliary staff were vacant. Has there been an improvement?

Whither Reopening Plans: Countries across the world are conjuring, carving, creating plans for reopening in concert with vaccinations. What are India's plans? Sure, the states are empowered but the country is yet under the NDMA. So, at what level of vaccination would re-opening of the economy be feasible and what kind of deadline is the Centre looking at?

These are a few of the questions haunting the political economy which MPs must ask, questions Indians want answers to in the Monsoon Session.

HOW TO PRESERVE, PROTECT & DEFEND PM

POINT OF VIEW

T J S GEORGE

JUST because somebody occupies the most exalted seat in the country, he does not automatically become the most appreciated personality in the country. Presidents like Rajendra Prasad and K R Narayanan became exalted and appreciated, not because they sat in that chair but because they conducted themselves with a dignity, decorum and propriety that won people's appreciation. Alas, the current incumbent does not rise to that measure.

Ram Nath Kovind's latest public announcement is something the President of India should never have made. "My salary is five lakh a month," he said, "but I pay ₹2.75 lakh in taxes. After paying my taxes I get less than what some officers get." He should have understood that the citizens of the country would know what he left unsaid. The man who pays ₹2.75 lakhs in taxes gets to live in a 340-room mansion for free. He does not have to pay for the 25 cooks, 184 gardeners and 57 cleaners who take care of his premises (accounting for a monthly salary of ₹1.34 crore).

Does Kovind know that his 48 bodyguards, nine private secretaries, eight phone operators and 27 drivers do not cost him anything, that the monthly telephone bill of ₹5 lakh plus is paid by citizens, that the annual budget for his staff and household allowances is ₹66 crore?

Pretending to be like any other citizen is inexcusable in such a situation. So is any attempt to make unwarranted claims about the taxes he pays. Citizens know not only about the across-the-board considerations the President of India enjoys; they also know about the ways in which accidental Presidents like Pratibha Patil and Giani Zail Singh misused those considerations.

Perhaps, the time has also come to question the assumption that a Dalit reaching the top is a great achievement in itself. K R Narayanan reached several top positions by acquiring the qualifications required for those positions, not by flaunting his Dalit status. That he acquired those qualifications in spite of being a Dalit was the mark of his distinction.

It is important to see the difference between K R Narayanan's India and Ram Nath Kovind's India. One was led by the ideals of democracy, the other by the dictates of a dominant personality. One represented Jawaharlal Nehru's India, the other Narendra Modi's India. To ignore this perspective is to distort reality for political purposes. To say that Kovind represented Dalits just as Narayanan represented Dalits is not fair to Dalits. Narayanan brought credit to Dalits. Kovind lives off the credit Dalits have. The scenario represents an upside-down reality in which India is caught.

It was Kovind's record as a loyalist that made Narendra Modi pick him for the top job. An RSS pracharak and spokesman, Kovind served as the chief of BJP's Scheduled Caste Morcha for four years from 1998. This was drastically different from the considerations

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that made Atal Bihari Vajpayee choose A P J Abdul Kalam for the President's post. As lawyer-activist Indira Jaising said: "Kovind was selected with the 2019 Lok Sabha elections in mind. Since there is no predictability about voter behaviour, a loyalist President can favourably handle any political uncertainty in 2019 with his discretionary powers." Modi, nowhere near Vajpayee in self-confidence, obviously did not want to take any chances. He would feel secure only if there was a rubber-stamp President in the tradition of Fakhruddin Ali Ahmed. He got one.

What the country saw was a double-whammy. The Prime Minister underlined his pre-eminence by choosing a loyalist for the President's post. The President saw that his primary duty was to preserve, protect and defend, not the Constitution of India, but the Prime Minister. In the process, the overriding reality of India got underlined: That personal interests superseded national interests. The Prime Minister's supremacy was more important than anything else for the progress of new India.

This fundamental shift in the interpretation of democracy need not surprise anyone. It merely reflects the changes that have overtaken India and the low levels the country's administrative morality has reached. India is not like the United States where there are limits the President cannot cross. Those who try to ignore those limits end up like Richard Nixon. India has more in common with Vladimir Putin's Russia where the President's experiments with "cosmetic constitutionalism" has one aim only: To prolong his reign indefinitely. Ditto with Xi Jinping's "socialist democracy." Why should — how can — India be different when it combines the virtues of Putin with the talents of Xi. We are all democracies, aren't we?

AFGHANISTAN POISED ON CUSP OF CIVIL WAR

OPINION

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THE current situation in Afghanistan is fraught with uncertainty. The risk of another civil war is looming large. The Soviet Union's army went into Afghanistan in 1979 to support a socialist-secular government. The Americans collaborated with Pakistan and other Islamic countries and created Al-Qaeda and the Mujahideens who launched a jihad against the Soviets. Pakistan's contribution included the creation of the Taliban from among Afghan refugees who were indoctrinated, trained and armed for jihad to liberate their country from godless communists. The Soviets were forced into a humiliating retreat in 1989. Now, the Americans have decided to eat humble pie and exit Afghanistan after 20 years. Afghanistan's reputation as the graveyard of empires stands refurbished.

The Al-Qaeda, hosted by the Taliban, had organised the 9/11 terrorist attacks on New York and Washington in 2001, triggering the American invasion of Afghanistan. Taliban leaders and foot soldiers fled to Pakistan, found refuge and started collaborating with Pakistan Army and ISI to destabilise the new government in Kabul. For the last 20 years, Pakistan has followed a policy of running with the hares and hunting with the hounds, milking the US for arms and money for providing supply line. Exploiting its geo-political position, as Afghanistan's neighbour, it has used the Taliban as a tool to attack and kill Afghan and American soldiers. Pakistan's ISI has embedded former and serving army personnel, jihadis from terrorist organisations like Lashkar-e-Taiba and Jaish-e-Muhammad in Taliban units for military operations.

Having spent around a trillion and a half dollars and suffered over 2,500 casualties, President Joe Biden has stuck to Trump's policy of quitting Afghanistan, justifying his decision on war fatigue and the futility of spilling more American blood, financial drain and the hopeless task of nation building. By negotiating with the Taliban, the US has imparted legitimacy to a terrorist organisation. Talks between the US and the Taliban have not produced any peace plan that can be seen as sustainable. On July 1, the Americans handed over the Bagram military base to the Afghan military and slunk out of the country at night. This is America's "Vietnam moment" when they left their Vietnamese allies to fend for themselves. The UK has joined the US to peddle the line that it will be able to work with a Taliban government, if it "behaves". This has imparted further legitimacy to the Taliban.

With Pakistan's collaboration, the Taliban, encouraged by the impending American withdrawal and increased legitimacy, has mounted a renewed offensive and claim to have established control over 80% of the country's territory. The Taliban have given ample evidence of their medieval mindset by decreeing that all men must grow beards and wear traditional dress. Women venturing outdoors, can do so only if accompanied by a male family member. They have issued orders to villages to prepare list of girls and widows who would be married to young Taliban fighters. Their bloodthirsty nature was demonstrated recently, when they killed Afghan Special Forces members when they were surrendering. Taliban has now offered a three-month ceasefire, if the Kabul government agrees to release another 7,000 Taliban prisoners and international sanctions on the Taliban are lifted. The tug of war continues as high-powered delegations from both sides are set to meet at Doha.

Though China, Russia, Iran and Pakistan may revel in subdued glee at the US' humiliating plight, they may soon have to deal with an imploding Afghanistan. The Americans have dumped Afghanistan into the lap of regional powers. China's view that the US is in terminal decline will be vindicated. Pakistan would be salivating about achieving its holy grail of having a Taliban government in Kabul and giving it "strategic depth". American withdrawal has raised the stakes for regional powers, and there is a flurry of diplomatic activity. Each regional power has divergent interest in Afghanistan. The recent Dushanbe meeting of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) on Afghanistan has produced an anodyne statement [Shanghai Cooperation Organisation | SCO (sectsco.org)] whose underlying message is that of uneasiness and uncertainty. While the SCO consensus is for a peaceful, negotiated political settlement, the increasing violence on the ground indicates that the Taliban will use force to dictate terms.

China, Iran, Pakistan and Russia are likely to sideline India's interests. Pakistan will certainly push for minimal Indian presence in Afghanistan and with China's financial clout attempt to integrate it into the BRI. A Taliban government will accommodate Pakistan's interest out of gratitude but may baulk at agreeing to egregious anti-Indian demands. Pakistan's home-grown terrorist outfits like the Tehreek-e-Taliban Pakistan (TTP) and like-minded Pashtuns linking up in Afghanistan can cause trouble. The TTP's agenda is to build a Sharia-based country that will ultimately extend into India. China is concerned about jihadis creating problems in Xingjiang where the Uighurs are resisting Beijing's heavy-handed oppression and the East Turkestan Independence Movement (ETIM) may again link up with Al-Qaeda and ISIS elements.

Working with the SCO seems the only feasible option for India. New Delhi has already withdrawn Indian diplomats and officials from several consulates in Afghanistan, in view of the increased violence and Taliban advances towards provincial capitals. While India has maintained low-key contacts with the Taliban, it would have to engage the Taliban like other countries have done. This would not dilute support for the Kabul government. The Taliban has told India to remain neutral, as the end game unfolds. India's interests lie in maintaining her equities and ensuring that terrorist groups are not permitted to link up in Afghanistan and export terrorism to India — an objective that will be on Pakistan's agenda. India has consistently backed any Afghan-led settlement. If the Kabul government and Taliban agree to power sharing, it would be acceptable to India.

QUOTE CORNER

Central and South Asia can only fully benefit from potential opportunities if the region at large is at peace. This places an even higher premium on the importance of active and collective engagement in support of Afghanistan's peace and security.

António Guterres, UN Secretary-General

They (social media) are killing people (by allowing misinformation about coronavirus vaccines to be posted). Look, the only pandemic we have is among the unvaccinated. And they're killing people.

Joe Biden, US president

The situation is changing by the minute and remains extremely critical in many places. The (flood) victims are the priority, rescuing is the priority, and care. All possible means are mobilised.

Alexander De Croo, Belgium Prime Minister

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Legislators not above the law

It may be recalled that the Supreme Court had directed the States to recover the cost of damaged public property from those political parties who indulge in arson and violence, saying protests without violence is the freedom of expression. If this is the case, then costs should be recovered from the elected representatives who damage equipment and furniture in the House. It will set an example to other legislators to behave responsibly in future. As stated in the editorial, it is wise to accept the court directives.

S Arjun Prasanna, Bengaluru

Faith is not supreme

The second wave of the pandemic is still fresh in our memories. Floating bodies in the Ganga, mass cremations the anguish of kith and kin, overwhelmed hospitals remind us of the tragedy of epic proportions. When the Kanwar Yatra was cancelled last year, the UP government should have announced its cancellation on its own. There will be ground to allege that eyeing the election next year, the UP government did not take the decision. It is tantamount to buttressing the issue with ego. Medical authorities and experts are consistently warning the nation about a third wave. The Supreme Court has rightly stated that the right to live takes precedence over the right to religion.

K Jayanthi, Chennai

End the menace of dowry

One of the greatest atrocities which women face today is dowry. Nobody knows the number of victims and survivors who are subjected to enormous humiliation and torture, both physical and mental. The worst-hit is the middle class families. Kerala governor Arif Mohammed Khan seems too bent upon to abolish the dowry system. He has suggested making the students sign a bond promising that they won't accept dowry before they are awarded a degree certificate. But that cannot be possible because of coercion rules. Government should take necessary steps to curb the social menace. A strong opinion should be formed to make the anti-dowry drive a grand success.

V Venkitasubramanian, Coimbatore

Stop playing to the gallery

The Tamil Nadu government is not willing to understand the usefulness of NEET. It has already made it an emotional issue and wants to have its way. Making issues emotional and then exploit the same for political ends will not serve any purpose. In the past also, the DMK had exploited its opposition to Hindi in the same way. It is difficult to understand why what is acceptable to all the States is not acceptable to the DMK.

S Retnaswamy, Chennai

Vendetta in delayed release

CJI N V Ramana's observation on the tendency to look at the skies for pigeons to deliver messages in this age of electronic communication might have been in lighter vein, but there is little doubt about delay in the release of undertrial prisoners despite getting bail. As many of these undertrials are imprisoned after falling foul of the administration, the governments are apparently loath to release them promptly. In most cases, lame reasons are given for the delay. One fervently hopes that the concept of bail being the rule and jail the exception will be followed in letter and spirit by the courts as that can come as a godsend to thousands of undertrials languishing in jail waiting for their cases to come up for hearing.

CV Aravind, Bengaluru

Double standards in politics

Today's editorial rightly points out to the double standards of political parties when in power and in opposition. I distinctly remember the BJP when in opposition vehemently opposed the increase in fuel prices during the UPA rule. Sushma Swaraj was extremely vocal in Parliament. It's vice-versa for the Congress now. Will they reduce state duty in Punjab, Rajasthan, Chhattisgarh where it is in power? No. But who suffers? The common man.

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TWEETS OF THE DAY

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Desi anti-drone technology being developed on priority basis: Shah

Before Modi became PM, India didn't have independent security policy, says Home minister

Amit Shah and others at the 18th Investiture Ceremony of the Border Security Force in New Delhi on Saturday | PTI

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NEARLY a fortnight after the drone attack on the air force base in Jammu, Union Home Minister Amit Shah on Saturday announced that India is developing an indigenous anti-drone technology. The Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) is working on it on a priority basis.

Shah said India's security policy was "influenced or overlapping" with its foreign policy and it was only after Narendra Modi became Prime Minister that the country got an independent security strategy.

DRDO and other agencies are involved in developing a 'made-in-India' anti-drone system, Shah said. The home minister said tech agencies were also working to develop AI ato make progress in the field of robotics, as part of a long-drawn project to bolster India's security grid. He made these comments while delivering the "Rustamji Memorial Lecture" attended by top officials of the Border Security Force (BSF).

Shah's comments came just weeks after a twin drone attack on Indian Air Force's Jammu base, belived to be planned and executed by Lashkar-e-Toiba. Two IAF personnel were injured in the attack. Several meetings have been held since, some of them chaired by the Prime Minister himself.

Praising the Prime Minister for spearheading a makeover of India's security policy, Shah said India got an independent security strategy only after Modi rose to the Centre. "Modiji has done this big job of overhauling India's security policy. The policy was made operational on the ground by the Modi government," Shah said.

The home minister added that India wishes to have peaceful relationships with its neighbours. "But if someone disturbs our borders, if someone challenges our sovereignty, the priority of our security policy is that such an attempt will be replied in the same language."

He said nearly three percent of the Indo-Pak border was yet to be fenced.

61 drones and 4 tunnels detected, says BSF chief

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AS many as 61 drones and four tunnels have been detected by the Border Security Force (BSF) along the India-Pakistan border, the chief of BSF Rakesh Asthana said on Saturday.

He was speaking at the "Rustamji Memorial Lecture" organised by BSF. The head of the border force revealed that 22 infiltrators had been killed and 165 apprehended on the border in the last one year. The BSF chief also said 633 kg of narcotics worth ₹2,786 crore were seized, with 55 weapons and 4,233 rounds of ammunition.

On the Indo-Bangladesh border, 12,821 kg of narcotics, 61 weapons and 7,976 rounds of ammunition were seized, Asthana said. Twelve infiltrators and smugglers were killed and 3,984 were intercepted.

Home Minister Amit Shah, chief guest at the event, said infiltration, human trafficking, drugs, arms and cow smuggling, tunnels and drones are big challenges but expressed confidence in the forces.

"BSF has not only found tunnels but got a forensic study done to ascertain their make and how many people may have travelled through them. We are ensuring no more tunnels are dug into India from across the border. We are also coming up with new fences," he said.

BENGAL VIOLENCE MORE IN PLACES TO REGAIN & RETAIN

PRANAB MONDAL @ Kolkata

OF the nearly 2,000 complaints related to post-poll violence in West Bengal, around 69 per cent were reported from nine districts. According to the final report of the National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) submitted to Calcutta High Court, of the 23 districts in the state, these nine bore most of the brunt.

Taking Bengal's political landscape as the backdrop, an examination of these figures suggests that most of the violence took place in two kinds of places. One, districts in north Bengal where BJP did well in the 2019 Lok Sabha polls and TMC was trying to wrest things back. Two, districts in southern Bengal which are TMC's strongholds, where BJP was trying to make inroads by campaigning aggressively before this year's Assembly polls.

The NHRC received 1,979 complaints, of which 322 were from north Bengal's Cooch Behar. Four persons were killed in firing by the Central forces on election day in this district. In south Bengal, the Commission received 314 complaints from Birbhum, 203 from South 24 Parganas, 196 from North 24 Parganas and 113 from East Burdwan districts.

"A large number of complaints have been received from the administrative districts of Cooch Behar, Birbhum, Purba Bardhaman, North 24 Parganas, South 24 Parganas and Kolkata. The most affected police districts are Baruipur, Basirhat, Barrackpore and Diamond Harbour (all in south Bengal)," said the report prepared following a court order.

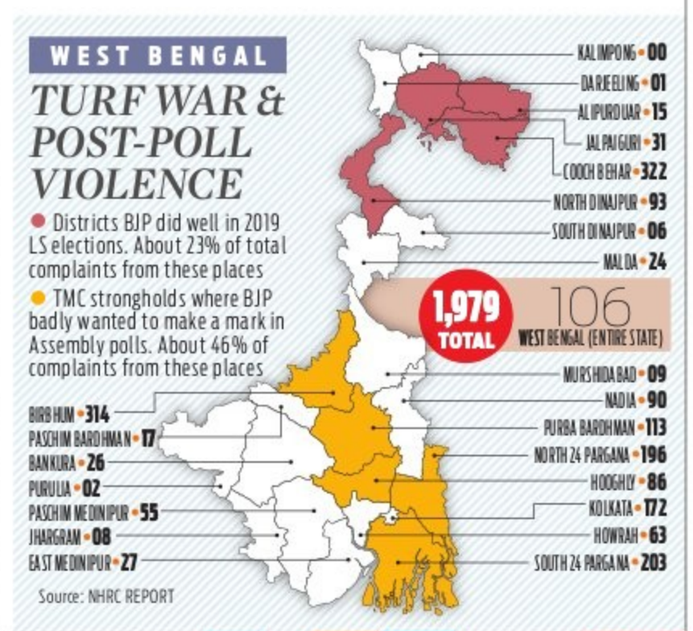
Political analysts found that post-poll violence was a fallout of attempts to regain and retain by both the parties. "In many areas in south Bengal, the ruling party saw BJP as its immediate threat which might upset its strongholds. Similarly in north Bengal, TMC tried to regain its erstwhile citadel and BJP was desperate to retain its newfound base," said political science professor Bishnupriya Dutta Gupta.

BJP, predictably, points finger at the ruling party. "TMC unleashed terror after failing to re-establish its dominance in Cooch Behar. The police firing was a result of the terror unleashed by them. When they failed to deal with us in a democratic way, their supporters launched unprecedented violence on our supporters and party workers," said BJP's general secretary Sayantan Basu.

He alleged that TMC adopted the strategy of spreading terror in south Bengal districts also, like Birbhum, South 24 Parganas and North 24 Parganas, realising that BJP was making inroads in these places. "They know that in coming elections, people's verdict will go in favour of BJP. This is why they attacked our workers, to ensure that there is no political activity of BJP," said Basu.

Districts like Murshidabad and Malda reported negligible post-poll violence because the region is dominated by minority electorates. BJP has little presence there and neither did it make a concerted effort to make inroads in those places.

Predictably again, TMC has dismissed the NHRC report as biased. "It's nothing other than a body representing BJP. A few incidents of post-poll violence took place before Mamata Banerjee was sworn in as chief minister, when the model of code of conduct was in place and Election Commission was in charge of law and order in the state. The Commission transferred administrative officials appointed by the chief minister and the violence is a fallout of their inefficiency," said TMC MP and spokesperson Saugata Roy.


WEST BENGAL
TURF WAR & POST-POLL VIOLENCE
Districts BJP did well in 2019 LS elections. About 23% of total complaints from these places
TMC strongholds where BJP badly wanted to make a mark in Assembly polls. About 46% of complaints from these places
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Source: NHRC REPORT

TYPE OF CRIME	Plaints	FIRs	Accused	Arrested	Out on bail	Arrest %	In custody %
Murder/Homicide	29	29	379	134	2	35%	35%
Attempt to rape/sexual assault/molestation	12	12	53	11	9	21%	4%
Grievous hurt/incapacitation	391	388	3,780	590	492	16%	2.5%
Arson/vandalism/loot/damage to public property	940	609	4,324	540	460	12%	1.8%
Threats/criminal intimidation	562	130	768	79	123	10%	123 are on bail whereas only 79 arrested which is contradictory
Grand Total	1,934	1,168	9,304	1,345	1,086	2.88%	

EXPRESS READ

Rajasthan IRS officer held for corruption

Kota: A 38-year-old IRS officer was arrested by the Rajasthan Anti-Corruption Bureau on Saturday. Around ₹16 lakh in cash was recovered from his vehicle. It was allegedly received as bribe from opium cultivators in the region, sources in the police said.

Nadda meets BJP leaders from Punjab

New Delhi: The BJP chief J P Nadda on Saturday held a meeting with state party unit leaders from Punjab. The saffron outfit is getting ready for Assembly elections in the state next year. BJP's national general secretary Tarun Chug and the Punjab leaders brought a number of state functionaries at the headquarters of the party in the national capital. The party leadership is trying to strengthen its presence in the state. BJP will be contesting the Assembly elections on its own strength, after its long-time ally Shiromani Akali Dal (SAD) quit the NDA following the introduction of the contentious farm laws. The BJP is currently seeking to shore up its workers' base in Punjab, as the party wants to contest in all the Assembly seats next year without a partner.

'Live streaming of Gujarat HC cases a welcome move'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @New Delhi

CHIEF Justice of India NV Ramana on Saturday inaugurated live proceedings of Gujarat High Court, calling it a measure "to widen the gates of justice". He added that he was keen to start live proceedings at least for some of the courts in the Supreme Court.

"We are working out the logistics and working on consensus of the full court. With the aid of modern technologies, I am given to understand that we can introduce this live streaming feature in a cost effective manner without imposing much of a burden on the exchequer," said CJI Ramana.

He said since the inception of courts, proceedings have been based on the idea of transparency. He welcomed the move of extending this idea, from litigants to the public. "Lack of access could give space for misconception and live streaming is the best remedy for it. Judges should never shy away from public duty," he said.

Live proceedings from the courtroom being accessible to the public, the CJI said, will reduce the scope of observations by the judiciary being misinterpreted. "Currently, the public obtains information about court proceedings through the media. In effect, information from the courts is being filtered by agents of transmission. In the process, there is sometimes a transmission loss leading to misinterpretation of questions asked and observations made by the bench, due to the absence of context. Vested interests are eager to amplify these misinterpretations in order to embarrass or discredit the institution," the CJI said.

This livestreaming of proceedings, Justice Ramana said, was crucial for dissemination of information which is a sacrosanct aspect of Article 19. "Through such direct access, the people can get first-hand information about the entire proceedings and the opinions of the judges, leaving little room for any mischief."

CJI bats for mediation to curb pendency

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @New Delhi

"LUXURIOUS litigation" has contributed towards the increasing pendency of cases, **Chief Justice of India NV Ramana** said on Saturday. He rejected claims that the judiciary would be unable to cope with the projected pendency of 45 million cases in the country as "overstatement" and "uncharitable analysis".

The CJI said there are "a specific type of litigations wherein parties with resources attempt to frustrate the judicial process and delay it by filing numerous proceedings across the judicial system. Undeniably, the prevailing pandemic has also contributed to our woes."

Delivering the keynote address at the India-Singapore Mediation Summit, CJI Rammana said: "Judges in India, particularly in the constitutional courts, often burn midnight oil to meet their judicial and administrative caseload." He added that given the growing scope of mediation, the time has come for India to push mediation in a mission mode. He advocated launching a movement to popularise mediation as a cheaper and faster dispute resolution mechanism.

The CJI said the practice of mediation was embedded in Indian ethos and prevalent before the British system came to India. "The Mahabharata actually provides an example of an early attempt at mediation as a conflict resolution tool, where Lord Krishna attempted to mediate the dispute between the Pandavas and Kauravas. It may be worthwhile to recall that the failure of mediation led to disastrous consequences," he said.

"The often-quoted statistic that 'pendency' in Indian courts has reached 45 million cases, is perceived as the inability of the Indian judiciary to cope with the caseload. This is an overstatement and an uncharitable analysis. The term 'pendency' is used to refer to all cases which have not yet been disposed of, without any reference to how long the case has spent in the judicial system. This would mean that a case which was filed yesterday gets added to the pendency statistics. This is, therefore, not a useful indicator of how well, or poorly, a system is doing," Justice Ramana said.

Editors Guild condoles loss of Danish, condemns social media trolling after his death

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @New Delhi

THE Editors Guild of India has condoled the death of Pulitzer Prize winning photojournalist Danish Siddiqui in Afghanistan. It also condemned the vicious trolling from right-wing extremists after his death.

"Siddiqui's death is a stern reminder of the great risks journalists take to report from the frontlines of conflict... the Guild is deeply disturbed by the vicious and highly regrettable racist campaign being run against him by some sections of social media. His death is an occasion to remember him and all the journalists who have died in conflict reporting," the guild said.

During the second wave, Siddiqui had clicked photos of a cremation ground in the national capital where Covid-19 victims were brought for last rites. His photographs reflected the scale of the pandemic. Following this, he was scoured immorally by right-wing extremists who claimed the pictures showed India in poor light.

People pay tribute to Danish Siddique at Jamia in New Delhi on Saturday | PTI

Siddiqui was covering a clash between Afghan security forces and the Taliban near a border crossing with Pakistan, where he fell to bullets on July 16.

"Over the past decade, he had covered some of most heart wrenching stories of conflict and humanitarian crisis from South Asia and the surrounding regions — the Rohingya refugee crisis, the Nepal earthquake, war in Iraq, Easter blasts in Sri Lanka, protests in Hong Kong, the riots in North East Delhi in 2020, and most recently, the coverage of the devastating human tragedy caused by the pandemic. He was part of the Reuters team that won the Pulitzer Prize in 2018 for documenting the Rohingya crisis," the guild said.

The guild termed Siddiqui's death as an 'irreplaceable loss to journalism'. He was killed in Spin Boldak district in the Kandhar region while reporting from the ground. "For the past week, Siddiqui had been embedded as a journalist with the Afghan Special Forces in the southern province of Kandahar. His work was therefore a living testament to the axiom of photojournalism."

The statement ended with a quote from famous photographer Robert Capa: "If your pictures aren't good enough, you aren't close enough".

FATHER PROUD OF SON WHO RAISED VOICE AGAINST THE WRONG

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@New Delhi

"HE was a wonderful son, husband , an excellent father, excellent brother, excellent photographer, excellent journalist and excellent human being. There is no word to describe my son. He was such a emotional, happy soul with a big heart who always stood for rights," said Professor Mohammad Akhtar Siddiqui, father of late photojournalist **Danish Siddiqui**.

Although his voice was choking, Akhtar made is amply clear that Danish was their pride and honour. "He was always energetic, passionate and was very dedicated towards his work." The 40-year-old was killed in Afghanistan while covering the conflict between Afghan forces and the Taliban.

Akhtar, a retired professor of Jamia Milia Islamia University, said: "He spoke to us two days back. Danish was very daring and worked in dangerours and life threatning situations. In the beginning, it was scary but he always took precautions. And it was his passion. He wanted to pursue his passion. There was no point stop ping him," said Akhtar.

He said Danish worked passionately to bring out the truth to show it to the world and always raised his voice against the wrong.

Danish is survived by his father, mother, wife and two sons, who live in Gaffar Manzil, Jamia Nagar.

Vice Chancellor of Jamia Milia Islamia University, Prof Najma Akhtar visited Danish's house to pay condolences to the family on Saturday. Saying that Danish was a true fighter, like his father, she said: "Danish's death is a loss not only to his family and Jamia fraternity but to the whole country."

JMI will hold a condolence meeting at the university campus on Tuesday and also organise an exhibition of Danish's exemplary work on the university campus.

THREE GIRLS DROWN

Three girls drowned in a pond in Uttar Pradesh's Deoria after their boat overturned while they were taking selfies, a senior government official said on Saturday. The girls were between eight and 12 years of age

1 KILLED AND 20 HURT AS BUS OVERTURNS IN U.P.

INDIA	Max	Min			
Ahmedabad	32	26	Mumbai	29	26
Bhopal	31	23	Panaji	27	23
Jaipur	33	26	Patna	34	27
Amritsar	36	29	Lucknow	30	24
Chennai	31	26	Port Blair	30	24
Kolkata	34	28	Imphal	28	21
Srinagar	32	21	Chandigarh	31	27

Pawar meets Modi in Delhi amid strain in Maha govt

Triggers speculation about a brewing NCP-BJP bonhomie in Maharashtra

NCP chief Sharad Pawar holds meeting with Prime Minister Narendra Modi | PTI

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Mumbai

NATIONALIST Congress Party (NCP) leader Sharad Pawar on Saturday met Prime Minister Narendra Modi in New Delhi. The meeting lasted for about 50 minutes, during which Pawar raised concerns about the newly formed Ministry of Cooperation, amendments to the Banking Regulation Act, among others.

Pawar said aims and objectives of the amendment to the Banking Regulation Act are well intentioned and the cooperative banks and their cooperative character should be protected. "Although the objects and reasons for amending the Act can be lauded, I wish to point out certain inconsistencies and the resulting legal inefficacy of normative provisions of the Act that are in conflict most specifically with the 97th Constitutional Amendment, State Co-operative Societies Acts and with the Co-operative Principles," he said. "I reiterated in the letter that the aims and objectives of the amended Act are well-intentioned, and many provisions are necessary. Erring board and management must definitely be acted upon strictly and the depositors' interests should be protected, but at the same time it should be ensured that while doing so, the co-operative principles laid down in the Constitution are not sacrificed at the altar of over-zealous regulation," Pawar wrote.

> **NCP can never join hands with the BJP. The BJP and NCP are two ends of a river that cannot come together as long as there is water in the rivers**
>
> NCP spokesperson Nawab Malik

Earlier, in a tweet, Pawar said the meeting will focus on issues of national interest. It comes two days ahead of the start of the monsoon session of Parliament and amid reports of strain in Shiv Sena-led alliance in Maharashtra of which Pawar's party is a constituent. After the meeting, there has been speculation that the NCP may ally with the BJP in Maharashtra.

NCP spokesman Nawab Malik insisted there was nothing to speculate about and that the two other constituents of ruling Maharashtra Vikas Aghadi—Shiv Sena and Congress—were apprised about the meeting.

Uddhav to give ministerial berth to Nana Patole, Praniti Shinde

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Mumbai

Maharashtra CM Uddhav Thackeray is set to induct new faces into the ministry, sources said. Two Congress ministers may be asked to resign to accommodate Maharashtra Congress president Nana Patole and Shushil Kumar daughter Praniti Shinde. Shiv Sena is also likely to fill the vacant ministerial post after the resignations of forest minister Sanjay Rathod.

Sources in the Congress said the party has decided to strengthen the hand of Maharashtra Congress president Nana Patole by inducting him into the cabinet while he continue to function as the party president.

"There are a couple of Congress ministers whose performances have not been up to the expectation. The party will identify those who have not helped it expand its base. However, a final decision is yet taken," a source said requesting anonymity.

Nana Patole

FRUITFUL TIES

INDIA-BANGLADESH RELATIONS IMPROVING DESPITE JAB HICCUP

PUSHKAR BANAKAR @ New Delhi

INDIA and Bangladesh have seen a spurt in bilateral engagement of late with gifts being exchanged across the border and also a series of meetings between top leaders of the two countries.

The spurt is being viewed by analysts as a way to reduce the friction seen in the ties due to India's nonfulfillment of vaccine commitments. New Delhi has so far supplied around 103 lakh doses of Indian-made AstraZeneca vaccines—commercially and as a grant. However, as the second wave of the pandemic came, India forced the Serum Institute of India (SII), the manufacturer of vaccines in India, to defer orders.

"The recent engagements are another sign that India's engagement with Bangladesh has been one of its best in its neighbourhood. There is an all-round engagement, which is helping both countries. There has however been disappointment over vaccine supply. But, I don't think there would be any major impact on ties as Bangladesh has managed to get vaccines from other sources. But they would love to get Indian vaccines. The government will soon have to allow some shipments of vaccines to Dhaka. We have given them vaccines when possible," former Indian High Commissioner to Bangladesh Pinak Ranjan Chakravarty said. The two countries recently exchanged locally produced mangoes.

VACCINES SHIPPED

10.3 million

Number of doses Bangladesh has received from India (in grant and commercially)

30 million

Number of doses it had ordered from SII

MANGO DIPLOMACY

2,600 kg

Mangoes sent by Bangladesh PM Sheikh Hasina for Mamata and Prime Minister Modi

300 kg: Mangoes sent by Bangladesh PM to Tripura CM

650kg: Pineapples sent as gift from Tripura to Dhaka

External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar's meeting with his Bangladeshi counterpart AK Abdul Momen, Prime Minister Narendra Modi's visit to Dhaka for attending the centenary birth celebrations of Sheikh Mujibur Rahman and Foreign Secretary Harsh Vardhan Shringla's visit to Dhaka, the first by a foreign official after the start of the coronavirus pandemic, are all signs of the importance that India attaches to ties with Bangladesh.

Chakravarty's views were echoed by Ayanangha Maitra, a research scholar at the Bangladesh-based Centre for Governance Studies, Ayanangha Maitra. "Vaccine is the main issue. Around 15 lakh Bangladeshis have taken Indian-made vaccines. They are waiting for their second dose. Our commercial engagement is yet to be fulfilled. This hits our credibility. China has sent their vaccines, so has the US. India needs to send their vaccines quickly," he said.

When asked about Dhaka's growing ties with Beijing, the former envoy said Bangladesh wants to remain neutral and enjoy good relations with both. "They are also careful not to get into debt traps of China like Sri Lanka. A few railway projects too have been taken away from China and India is now executing them.

The analysts also dismissed rumours that Bangladeshis are unhappy about the prospect of the Teesta river water issue not being solved as Mamata Banerjee has maintained her grip on power. While Chakravarty said that there is hope for a resolution of the Teesta River issue as there's an interim deal, Maitra was of the opinion that the issue is far from solved.

'Militants peddling drugs in Northeast'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Guwahati

ASSAM Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma on Saturday said a myriad of militant groups are involved in the trafficking of drugs in the Northeast and are pushing boys into drug peddling.

"Many insurgent groups use our innocent boys after making them addicted to drugs. The ULFA (United Liberation Front of Assam) is not on the list. Drug-peddling is affecting our society, encouraging militancy and destroying the social fabric of our state," Sarma said in Diphu in the state's Karbi Anglong district prior to taking part in a programme to burn seized drugs.

The drug dealers have for long used Karbi Anglong as the supply route. The police are now trying to choke it.

Sarma took on his critics by asking them to not sympathise with drug dealers and peddlers.

"There have been debates on the ongoing police action against elements, including drug dealers, but before sympathising with them, one must think of the families they destroyed and the society they damaged. So, don't cry when one or two drug peddlers or drug kingpins get hit by bullets," the CM said.

He said Section 46 of the Code of Criminal Procedure has given powers to the police to take action and added that the Centre is working tirelessly to curb the menace of drugs.

INACTION

Make Centre a party in PIL against Maha Governor: HC

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Mumbai

THE Bombay High Court has asked petitioners to add the Centre as a party to their PIL over Maharashtra Governor's inaction in nominating members to Maharashtra Legislative Council.

Governor Bhagat Singh Koshayri is yet to approve the 12 names submitted by the Council of Ministers on November 6, last year.

A division bench of Chief Justice Dipankar Datta and Justice G S Kulkarni said they would like it to be addressed by the Centre as it involves an important constitutional issue.

The central issue before the court is whether the Governor has any discretion not to nominate members to the Legislative Council as recommended by the Council of Ministers.

"Whether in terms of the provisions of clause (3) (e) and clause 5 of Article 171 of the Constitution read with Article 163 thereof or the Rules of Business framed under clause (3) of Article 166 of the Constitution, any discretion is available to the Governor not to nominate members of the Maharashtra Legislative Council on the aid and advice of the Council of Ministers?" the bench said.

The Supreme Court had on Friday dismissed a plea seeking a direction to the Governor to frame criteria for the purpose of nomination to the Legislative Council of the State, in terms of Article 171 of the Constitution.

The High Court continued hearing the petition on Friday after it was satisfied that the prayers were different in the two PILs.

Bihar: 1.83L frontline workers not fully vaccinated

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Patna

THOUGH Bihar's state health department is gearing up to vaccinate more than six crore people within six months against Covid-19, according to official figures, more than 1.83 lakh front-line workers in the state are yet to receive their second dose of Covid vaccine.

Manoj Kumar, the state health department's executive director, has told all district magistrates and civil surgeons to ensure immediate administration of the second dose of the Covid vaccine to frontline workers who haven't received it.

Vaccination in Bihar started on January 16 with the first doses administered to health care workers. That a huge number of health care workers and front line workers have not been vaccinated with the second dose goes against the guidelines laid down by ICMR, Kumar noted in his letter dated July 13.

A health worker administers a dose of Sputnik V coronavirus vaccine to a beneficiary at a vaccination centre in Gurugram on Saturday | PTI

According to official figures, only 2,04,191 frontline workers till July 8 were vaccinated with the second dose while for 71,168 frontline workers, the second dose is due.

In the same way, 3,79,809 healthcare workers have been shown vaccinated with the second doses of Covishield till July 8 in Bihar and the 1,12,423 health care workers are yet to be vaccinated with the second dose.

Meanwhile, an official of the state government said the figures on the CoWIN portal are not accurate and it has been brought to the notice of the government of India. The official claimed that a majority of healthcare workers and frontline workers in the state have now taken the second dose.

SC, ST households worst-hit by Covid in Bihar

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ Patna

COVID-19 has badly impacted normal life in rural Bihar with 93% of the households affected by it since the first breakout of pandemic. Not only this, nearly 78% of cardholders in rural Bihar received less than the allotted 5 kg of food grains free. Among the badly affected households groups, 96% are from the SC/ST category in rural Bihar. A joint study, conducted by the Centre for Development Economics and Sustainability(CDES, Monash University Australia) and the Institute for Human Development (IHD, New Delhi) on "Lives and Livelihoods in the wake of Covid-19 pandemic in rural Bihar" from October 17 to January 10 in 2021 with 1,613 households in12 villages of seven districts has come out with these findings. The researchers namely Gaurav Datt, Swati Dutta and Sunil Kumar Mishra have jointly conducted this study. As per the report, survey study was carried out on the selected subjects across 12 villages in Gaya, Gopalganj, Madhubani, Nalanda, Araria, Purnia, Rohtas districts through which it came to know that 94% of all the covered households in rural were badly impacted.

COVID TRACKER

4,24,025

ACTIVE CASES IN INDIA

Daily positivity rate 1.33%

Case fatality rate 1.91%

97.31%

National recovery rate

FIRST FLIGHT

One of the two MH-60R Multi Role Helicopters (MRH) India received from the US Navy on Saturday at Naval Air Station North Island, San Diego | PTI

As Rawat assuages Amarinder, Sidhu kicks off outreach drive

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ON a day of hectic meetings, Rawat flew to assuage Amarinder in Chandigarh. After the meeting, Amarinder's media adviser Raveen Thukral tweeted on the CM's behalf: "Had a fruitful meeting with @harishrawatcmuk. Reiterated that any decision of @INCIndia President will be acceptable to all. Raised certain issues which he said he'll take up with @INCIndia president."

Rawat on his part said "the CM repeated what he said earlier that Sonia's decision regarding the PCC president would be acceptable to him." Even while Rawat was buying peace with Amarinder, Sidhu started his intra-party outreach meetings, an indication he will soon be elevated. He called on incumbent Punjab Congress president Sunil Jakhar, former party chiefs, cabinet ministers and MLAs. Jakhar later said the party had to put a united face for the 2022 Assembly polls. The rift between Amarinder and Sidhu has been festering since the Congress won Punjab poll in 2017.

Electrical Safety Week to spread awareness

The National Electrical Safety Week has emphasised the importance of reinforcing a culture of following safe practices across industrial plants. The Bharat Aluminium Company organised various engagement programmes involving employees and industrial partners to promote electrical safety and awareness. "Pro-active steps towards the safety of personnel and environment are just as the smart combination of high-end technology and indigenous innovations been deployed," said Abhijit Pati, CEO (Balco). Companies have witnessed rapid automation that has made the workplace much safer

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RAIPUR DIARY

IPS officer wins black belt in Korean martial arts

Inspector general of Police (Bilaspur-Sarguja range) Ratanlal Dangi has won a black belt certificate from the Kukkiwon-based World Taekwondo Federation in South Korea. Taekwondo is a combat sport in Korean martial arts. A 2003-batch IPS officer, Dangi highlighted the importance of fitness, especially for police personnel, and urged the officers to ensure that they are fit. To strengthen his appeal, he spends two hours daily sharing practical tips on exercise and fitness on social media. He says physical training and a good diet are important and correlated a healthy mind to a healthy body

Physical hearings to resume in courts from July 19

All subordinate courts in Chhattisgarh will commence normal functioning through the physical mode from July 19. The Registrar General of the High Court further notified that the decision on hearing cases should be taken in a manner that should avoid congestion in the courtrooms. The order stressed the need to comply with Covid-19-related guidelines. In case court premises fall within a containment zone, then it should function with bare minimum staff and on a rotational basis. Only extremely urgent cases need to be taken up under such situations.

Chhattisgarh government cancels over 150 MoUs

In a major decision, the Chhattisgarh government has nullified 158 Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs) after no progress was made in their execution. The MoUs were signed during the previous government of Raman Singh and Ajit Jogi. Of the 158 MoUs, 103 were signed during the Global Investors' Meet in 2012. Another 55 were signed between 2001 and 2018. In all, at least 211 MoUs for capital investment of ` 3,03,115 crore were signed between 2001 and 2018. Production has started under 67 agreements and implementation process is underway in 61 MoUs, while projects were yet to start under 55 MoUs.

PUBLIC NOTICE

TO WHOM SO EVER IT MAY CONCERN

This is to inform that my client Sri Dr. Bipin Bulagannanawar S/o Ashok S. Bulagannanawar has entered into an agreement of sale dated: 15.07.2021 with Smt. Prithiba Sowmyanarayanan and Sri. P. Priyankar, both being the children of Late P. Padmaraju and Smt. Sunanda Devi in respect of the vacant site bearing property No.93, Katha 742/93, presently comes within the jurisdiction of Bruhath Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike, situated within COAL Employees, Bengaluru at Attur Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk ward No.22, measuring East to West - 35 feet, North to South 73.6 + 66.6/2 feet in all 2450 Sq.ft. respectively. Hence if any persons having any objections to oppose the said sale transaction, may raise their objections to the below mentioned address within 15 days from the date this publication, failing which it will be considered that no objections are there and my client proceed to purchase the said property and if any objections are received after the due date, will not be considered anymore.

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ABHIJITH SADASHIVAIAH, Advocates
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Date: 16.07.2021 Place: Bengaluru

PUBLIC NOTICE

The general public is hereby informed that my clients intends to purchase the immoveable property described in the SCHEDULE hereunder from its owners, **(1) Mrs. GIRIJA KURUP,** aged about 73 years, wife of late Rajasekhara Kurup and **(2) Mrs. NISHA ANIL KUMAR,** aged about 48 years, W/o Sri. V. Anil Kumar, both R/at No.46, Ground Floor, 3rd Cross, Bheemaiah Layout, Diesel Shed Road, Bengaluru, for a lawful and valid consideration.

Any person / Bank / Society / Firm / Company / Institutions / Trust / Government Authorities / Organizations / Board or any other body, having any legally enforceable claims, right, title, interest, ownership on the below mentioned Schedule property, may lodge their objections, claims in writing with the supporting documents with the undersigned within **7 (SEVEN)** days from the date of the issuance of this Public Notice, after which period our client shall proceed on the basis that there are no claims of whatsoever nature with regards to the Schedule property.

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ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL of residential site bearing New Municipal No.33, (old No. 31)BBMP PID No.88-296-33, situated at 2nd Main Road, 3rd Cross, R.M.Nagar Main Road, Banaswadi, BBMP Ward No.89 Banaswadi, Bengaluru 560 043, measuring East to West: 40 feet and North to South: 30 feet, in all measuring 1200 Square Feet, and bounded on the **East by:** Road; **West by:** Site No.40; **North by:** Private Property; **South by:** Site No.32;

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ಸಹಿ/– ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರರು, ಮಹಾನಗರಪಾಲಿಕೆ, ಮಂಗಳೂರು

punjab national bank

SASTRA WEST : 100, Mosque Road,
Frazer Town, Bengaluru 560005
Ph-080-25808908/09. e-mail : cs8192@pnb.co.in

POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable property)

WHEREAS, The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the Punjab National Bank, **SASTRA, Bengaluru – West**, under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13 read with rule 3 of the security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice dated **19.04.2021** calling upon the borrower **Mr. Sujay Rao (Borrower/ Mortgagor) & Mrs.N.R.Maithili Rao (Co-Borrower) (A/c No.392500NC00010830, 3925009900001149, 392500NG00010003, 392500CF00000569, 392500CF00000541,** having a/cs at **Branch Office Mahalakshmi-layout, Bangalore)** to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.3,06,42,953.50 (Rupees Three Crore Six Lakh Forty Two Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty Three and Paisa Fifty Only) as on 31.03.2021** within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower's/mortgagor's having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower/s and the public in general that the undersigned has taken the possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Sub-Section (4) of Section 13 of the said act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this date of **16.7. 2021.**

The borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of Sub-Section (8) of the section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.

The borrower/s in particular and public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the Punjab National Bank for an amount of **Rs. 3,06,42,953.50 (Rupees Three Crore Six Lakh Forty Two Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty Three and Fifty Paisa Only)** and further interest and other expenses thereon.

DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

House property site bearing No. 600, Municipal No.600, PID No. 19-3-600 together with structure thereon, Situated at 3rd Block, 3rd stage, Basaveswarara Nagar, West of chord Road, Bangalore BBMP Ward No. 100, measuring East to West 60 feet and North to South : 40 feet totally Measuring 2400Sqft and Bounded on : **East by :** Site bearing No.591, **West by :** Road, **North by :** Site bearing No. 599, **South by :** Site bearing No : 601. **Name of the Mortgagor/s : Mr. K. R. Sujay Rao Lakshmi Sadan, No. 1018, 10th Main, 3rd Block, 3rd stage, Basaveshwara Nagar, Bangalore-560079.**

Date : 16.7.2021
Place : Bangalore

Sd/-
Chief Manager / Authorised Officer
For Punjab National Bank

KARNATAKA POWER CORPORATION LIMITED

(RAICHUR THERMAL POWER STATION)
CIN : U85110KA1970SGC001919

No. KPCL/2021-22/EL/WORK_INDENT11440 Date: 13.07.2021

E-TENDER NOTIFICATION

e-Tenders are invited through GoK e-Portal **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in** for **Upgradation, installation, commissioning of VFD control panel in place of relay logic system along with new motors for 10 Ton capacity loco shed EOT crane.** Category: **Works.** EMD Amount: **NIL.** Last date for receipt of tenders: **12.08.2021 up to 17.00 Hrs.** All the relevant details of the tender is available in the above mentioned e-Portal. Any clarifications may be had from the office of the **Superintendent Engineer (CHP)E, RTPS, Shaktinagar. Mobile: 9449596593.**

ಹುಬ್ಬಳ್ಳಿ–ಧಾರವಾಡ ಮಹಾನಗರ ಪಾಲಿಕೆ

ಘನತ್ಯಾಜ್ಯ ವಸ್ತು ನಿರ್ವಹಣೆ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಹುಬ್ಬಳ್ಳಿ

ನಂ:ಎಚ್.ಡಿ.ಎಂ.ಸಿ./74/05/21–22 ದಿನಾಂಕ : 17–07–2021

ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಇ-ಟೆಂಡರ ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆ (ಇ-ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರಮೆಂಟ್ ಮೂಲಕ ಮಾತ್ರ)

ಹುಬ್ಬಳ್ಳಿ–ಧಾರವಾಡ ಮಹಾನಗರ ಪಾಲಿಕೆಯ ಖಾಯಂ ಪೌರಕಾರ್ಮಿಕರ ವಾರ್ಡುಗಳಿಗೆ ತ್ಯಾಜ್ಯ ವಿಲೇವಾರಿಗಾಗಿ ಬಾಡಿಗೆ ಆಧಾರದ ಮೇಲೆ 19 ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ ಟ್ರ್ಯಾಕ್ಟರ್ ವಿಥ್ ಟ್ರೈಲರ್ (40HP) ಪೂರೈಕೆ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಳ್ಳುವ ಬಗ್ಗೆ, ದ್ವಿಕೋಟಿ ಪದ್ಧತಿಯಂತೆ ಪ್ರತ್ಯೇಕವಾಗಿ ಇ–ಪ್ರೋಕ್ಯೂರಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಇಂಡೆಂಟ್ ನಂ:**DMA/HDMC/SWM/TRACTOR**/188576/**CALL–2** ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಸ್ತಾವನೆಗಳನ್ನು ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಿ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆಯನ್ನು ಈ ಮೂಲಕ ಹೊರಡಿಸಿದೆ. ಟೆಂಡರ್ ನಿಯಮಗಳನ್ನು ಒಳಪಟ್ಟಿರುವ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ದಸ್ತಾವೇಜನ್ನು ಅಂತರ್ ಜಾಲದ ವೆಬ್ ಸೈಟ್ ವಿಳಾಸ **http://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in** ರಲ್ಲಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದು. ಸದರಿ ಟೆಂಡರ ದಾಖಲೆಗಳನ್ನು ಇ–ಪ್ರೋಕ್ಯೂರಮೆಂಟ್ ನಲ್ಲಿ ದಿನಾಂಕ:19–07–2021 ರಿಂದ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ. ಯಾವುದೇ ತಿದ್ದುಪಡಿ ಹಾಗೂ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಮುಂದೂಡಿಕೆ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆಯನ್ನು ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರಮೆಂಟ್‌ನಲ್ಲೇ ಪ್ರಕಟಿಸಲಾಗುವುದು.

ಟೆಂಡರ ವೇಳಾ ಪಟ್ಟಿ

1) ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಸ್ವೀಕರಿಸುವ ಕೊನೆಯ **ದಿನಾಂಕ:26–07–2021 ರಂದು ಸಾ. 23.59.59 ಘಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ** 2) ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ **ದಿನಾಂಕ:28–07–2021 ರಂದು ಮು: 10.30 ಘಂಟೆಯ ನಂತರ.** 3) ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ ತೆರೆಯುವ **ದಿನಾಂಕ:30–07–2021 ರಂದು ಮು: 10.30 ಘಂಟೆಯ ಅಥವಾ ಇತರೆ ಅನುಕೂಲಕರ ದಿನಗಳಲ್ಲಿ**

ಸಹಿ/– ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರರು (ಘವನಿ)
ವಾ.ಸಾ.ಇ/ಧಾ/282/2021–22/ದೇಶಪಾಂಡೆ ಹು–ಧಾ ಮಹಾನಗರ ಪಾಲಿಕೆ, ಹುಬ್ಬಳ್ಳಿ

KARNATAKA NEERAVARI NIGAMA

(Government of Karnataka Undertaking)

Reference: This Office tender notification No:370 Dated:15/07/2021

Short Term Tender Notification

Electronic percentage tender through e-procurement platform is invited by the Executive Engineer, K.N.N.L., **No.6, Canal Division, Ballari,** on behalf of M.D., KNNL Bangalore for taking up of Kolur LIS work under 4701 head of account In two cover system (Estimation amount 215.00 lakhs). The last day for the submission of tender is 30.07.2021 at 4.00pm and Technical bid opening day is 31.07.2021 at 4.30 pm and Financial bid opening day is 02.08.2021 or next convenient day will be informed to successful bidders, For more information https://eproc.Karnataka.gov.in may visited or may contact this office

Sd/-
Executive Engineer
KNNL, No.6, Canal Division, Bellary

Shivamogga–Bhadravathi Urban Development Authority,

Commercial Complex, 100 feet road, Vinobanagar, Shivamogga - 577204.

No.: SBUDA/T.S./Tender No./04,05,06,07/2021-22/723

Date: 13.07.2021

e-Procurement Tender Notice (2nd Call)

Tender is invited by the undersigned in Two Cover System, as per Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement Act 1999-2000, Rules of Act 2000, subject to conditions of Standard Tender Document K.C.-8 Section from eligible firms registered as P.M.C and Third Part Inspection Firm and registered in e-procurement. Eligible firms can participate in the Tender for the below mentioned service through e-procurement portal http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in

Details of the Service put to Tender

Sl. No. 1. Name: THE CONSUTANCY ASSIGNMENTS FOR PREPARATION OF DPR, PROJECT MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT AND QUALITY CONTROL/THIRD PARTY INSPECTION OF TANK DEVELOPMENT WORKS UNDER SHIVAMOGGA - BHADRAVATHI URBAN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY LIMITS **E.M.D. Amount (Rs. in lakhs):** 0.30 **Time period for completion of work:** Up to completion of work

Sl. No. 2. Name: FOR THE CONSUTANCY ASSIGNMENTS FOR PROJECT MANAGEMENT, QUALITY CONTROL / THIRD PARTY INSPECTION OF PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF URAGADURU LAYOUT(60 A-30 G) IN SHIVAMOGGA TALUK, SHIVAMOGGA (**Pre Bid Meeting On 23-07-2021) E.M.D. Amount (Rs. in lakhs):** 1.20 **Time period for completion of work:** Up to completion of work

Sl. No. 3. Name: FOR THE CONSUTANCY ASSIGNMENTS FOR PROJECT MANAGEMENT, QUALITY CONTROL/ THIRD PARTY INSPECTION OF SOMIKOPPA TANK SY NO:47 OF SHIVAMOGGA TALUK. SHIVAMOGGA **E.M.D. Amount (Rs. in lakhs):** 0.20 **Time period for completion of work:** Up to completion of work

Sl. No. 4. Name: FOR THE CONSUTANCY ASSIGNMENTS FOR PROJECT MANAGEMENT, QUALITY CONTROL / THIRD PARTY INSPECTION OF JANNAPURA TANK SY NO: 70 OF BHADRAVATHI TALUK, SHIVAMOGGA **E.M.D. Amount (Rs. in lakhs):** 0.23 **Time period for completion of work:** Up to completion of work

Tender Schedule dates in e-procurement are as below. In case any of the dates mentioned below are declared as holiday, then the next working day of the office will be considered.

1. Last date for tender Queries/Clarifications : 23.07.2021 **2.** Last date for receipt of tender : 29.07.2021 **3.** Date of opening of Technical bid : 31.07.2021 **4.** Date of opening of Financial bid : After finalization of Technical Bid

For further information regarding e-procurement contact e-procurement Help Desk No. +91-8046010000.

Sd/- (Mookappa M. Karabheemannanavara)
Commissioner,

Sd/-
(S.S. Jyothi Prakash)
Chairman,

Shivamogga–Bhadravathi Urban Development Authority, Shivamogga

DIPR/smg/No.85/07/mca/21-22

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರ
ಜಂಟಿ ಕೃಷಿ ನಿರ್ದೇಶಕರ ಕಛೇರಿ, ಹಾಸನ.

Email-jdahassan@yahoo.com 09.2021 **Phone No:08172-267158**
No:JDA/OS/RSK/2021-22 Dated:09.07.2021

E-Tender Notification

Tender invited to submit from competitive agency for supply of man power on online quotation link http://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in for outsourcing man power to maintain accounts in raitha samparka Kendra offices of Agriculture Department, Hassan District. link will be opened from 09.07.2021 on 10.30 AM onwards. Last date for submission on 07.08.2021 at 1:00 PM and tender will be opened on 09.08.2021 at 10:30 AM in front of bidders at the Office of the Joint director of Agriculture, Hassan.

Sd/- Joint Director of Agriculture, Hassan.

ವಾಸಾಕಂ/ಪ್ರಸ/ಹಾಸನ/ಎಂಸಿಎ/239/2021–22

Government of Karnataka

Office of the District Officer, Backward Classes Welfare Department Dakshina Kannada

TENDER NOTIFICATION

TENDER DOCUMENT SECTION-1

FOR SUPPLY OF FOOD MATERIALS TO PRE-METRIC, POST METRIC HOSTELS COMING UNDER TALUK BACKWARD CLASSES WELFARE OFFICE, PUTTUR TALUK DAKSHINA KANNADA District FOR THE YEAR 2021-22.

District Officer, Backward Classes Welfare Department, DAKSHINA KANNADA District hereby invites Technical & Commercial Bids from officially registered, eligible suppliers, Non-governmental organization who are registered under law, co-operative societies who are registered under Society Act to Supply food materials for **PRE-METRIC, POST METRIC HOSTELS COMING UNDER TALUK BACKWARD CLASSES WELFARE OFFICE, PUTTUR TALUK DAKSHINA KANNADA District** as described in the schedule of requirements.

(1) Tender Reference No. and date: BCWD/VNB/CR-09/2021-22 Dt-16-07-2021 (2) Amount put to Tender: **Rs.40,00,000/-** (3) Last date & Time for submission of Tender: **14-08-2021** (4) Date & Time of opening of Technical bid: 16-08-2021 (5) Date & Time of opening of Financial Bid: **19-08-2021** (6) EMD Amount: **Rs.80,000/-** (7) Venue of opening of tenders & address for communication.: **DISTRICT OFFICER, BACKWARD CLASSES WELFARE DEPARTMENT, BEJAI-KAPIKAD, ANEGUNDI ROAD, D.K. District,** Mangalore Ph:-0824-2225078

Interested eligible bidders registered in e-procurement portal can download the bid documents by visiting the web site http://e-proc.karnataka.gov.in

Sd/- (SACHIN KUMAR)
District Officer,
Backward Classes Welfare Department
Dakshina kannada District, Mangalore

DIPR/MNG/MCA/266/21-22 dt. 16.07.2021

KARNATAKA STATE POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

49, Parisara Bhavana, Church Street, Bengaluru- 560 001
Ph : 080-2558 6520 / 2558 9112 Fax : 080-2558 6321
Email : ho@kspcb.gov.in Website : www.kspcb.gov.in

No.KSPCB/189/SEO/MINES/EPH/2021-22/1555 Dated: 15.07.2021

ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEARING NOTIFICATION

M/s. Sri Sai Supreme Solutions have proposed to undertake quarrying of Ordinary Sand of capacity 46,394 TPA in a total area of 10-00 Acre (4.046 Ha) at **Sy. No. 9/2, 9/3, 9/4, 9/5, 9/6, 9/7 and 9/8, Gadgoli Village, Ron Taluk, Gadag District.** The project has to obtain Environmental Clearance from SEIAA, Government of Karnataka, as per the EIA Notification dated 14.09.2006 (as amended on 01.12.2009), and is required to go through Environmental Public Hearing. As per the SEIAA, Government of Karnataka, Terms of Reference letter (ToR) No. SEIAA 321 MIN 2020, dated: 25.02.2021 and request of the project proponent dated 30.03.2021, the Environmental Public Hearing is being conducted by the Board.

The details of the project are as follows:

1.	**Name of the Company & Address: M/s. Sri Sai Supreme Solutions,** Sri Mata, Plot No. 25, Shivananda Nagar, Kalasapur Road, Gadag – 582 103.
2.	**Proposed Location of Mine: Sy. No. 9/2, 9/3, 9/4, 9/5, 9/6, 9/7 and 9/8, Gadgoli Village, Ron Taluk, Gadag District.**
3.	**Details of Project proposed:** Quarrying of Ordinary Sand of capacity 46,394TPA.
4.	**Pollution control measures:** Chemical Toilet will be provided for the disposal of domestic waste water generated from mine office staff. Rainwater harvesting will be carried out in order to improve groundwater resources of the area. Regular sprinkling of water on haul and access roads. Regular maintenance of all equipment to minimize particulate matter and gaseous emissions from diesel engines. Plantation of thick greenbelt is provided around lease area boundary i.e., along 7.5m safety zone and also in the entire area along the pit, dumps & the periphery of the stacks.
5.	**Date, time and venue of public hearing: 18.08.2021 (Wednesday) at 03:00 PM at the proposed project area of Sy. No. 9/2, 9/3, 9/4, 9/5, 9/6, 9/7 and 9/8, Gadgoli Village, Ron Taluk, Gadag District.**
6.	**Places of availability of project documents as per EIA Notification, which is kept open to public are:** (a) Office of the Deputy Commissioner, Gadag District, Gadag (b) Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Panchayat, Gadag (c) District Industries Centre, Gadag (d) Taluk Panchayath Ron (e) Village Panchayath Office, Holemannur (f) Regional Office, Karnataka State Pollution Control Board, Gadag (g) SEIAA, Karnataka (Ecology and Environment), Department of Forest, Ecology and Environment, Government of Karnataka, Room No. 706, 7th Floor, 4th Gate, MS Building, Bengaluru – 560 001 (h) **HELP DESK,** Karnataka State Pollution Control Board, Ground Floor, No.49, Parisara Bhavan, Church Street, Bengaluru – 560 001.

NOTE: Suggestions, views, comments and objections of interested bonafide residents, environmental groups and others located at project site and likely to be affected by the proposed project are invited within 30 days from the date of publication of this Notification they can also make oral/written/ E-Mail suggestions to the Karnataka State Pollution Control Board/ Chairman, Environmental Public Hearing Committee (Deputy (Deputy Commissioner, Gadag District, Gadag). Interested public can participate in the Public Hearing at the above place. **For details please visit our Website: http://kspcb.karnataka.gov.in.**

Sd/-
Member Secretary

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BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE

Office of the Executive Engineer, Sarvagnanagara Division, 7th Floor, P.U. Building, M.G. Road, Bangalore-560 001.

No. EE(SGN)/E-proc/Tend/02/2020-21 **Date: 16.07.2021**

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

(Through e-Procurement Portal only) (Two Cover System)

The Executive Engineer, Sarvagnanagar Division invites the Request for Proposal from interested Firms/Organization, those who have done similar type of works for Project Management Consultancy for the below mentioned works.

Sl. No.	Name of the Project	Max. Consultancy Services Charges (Rs. In Lakhs)
1	Consultancy Services for Project Management Consultancy for the work of "Construction of Balance Gallery work in Jeevanahalli Football Stadium in Ward No-59, Maruthisevanagra (Phase-2)" (Rs.150.00 Lakhs)	1.20
2	Consultancy Services for Project Management Consultancy for the work of Constuction of Balance Sports complex Building in Jeevanahalli football Stadium in Ward No-59, Maruthisevanagra (Phase-2) (Rs. 450.00 Lakhs)	3.60
3	Consultancy Services for Project Management Consultancy for the work of Comprehensive Development of Roads and Drains in Ward No-27 (Package SGN-01) (Rs.1000.00 Lakhs)	8.00
4	Consultancy Services for Project Management Consultancy for the work of Comprehensive Development of Roads and Drains in Ward No-28 and Ward No-49 (Package SGN-02)(Rs.909.00 Lakhs)	7.30
5	Consultancy Services for Preparation of Detailed Project Report for Comprehensive Development Works in Drains Road, Lazer Road, Jai Bharath Nagara, Banasawadi Main Road and Surrounding areas in Ward No-59. (Rs.1300.00 Lakhs)	1.50

EMD Declaration : As per Government order No.: FD/675/ expe-12/2020, Bangalore dated 22.12.2020**1)** Tender documents may be downloaded from GOK e-Procurement portal **https://eproc. karnataka.gov.in** from **19.07.2021 onwards. 2)** Pre bid Meeting : **26.07.2021 at 4.00 p.m. 3)** Last date for uploading the filled tender documents: **30.07.2021 upto 4.00 p.m. 4)** Date of opening of Technical Bid: **31.07.2021 at 4.30 p.m. 5)** Date of opening of Financial Bid: After Approval of Technical Proposals through e-procurement. Further details may be obtained from the above office during office hours & also from website: **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Sarvagnanagar Division

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KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED

(CIN: U40109KA1999SGC025521)

No. EEE/MWD/BDR/AEE/2021-22/139-41 **Date: 12.07.2021**

NOTIFICATION

The Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited has formulated a scheme under Section 67 (2)(C) of the Electricity Supply Act 2003 and the scheme is herewith published in pursuance of Section 67(2) of the said act, this notification is issued for information of the license holders and any other concerned persons, Particulars of the scheme are as here under.

1) Name of the work: Construction of 110kV SC link line on DC Towers from existing 110/33-11kV Ladha sub-station in Bhalki Taluka, Bidar District to the existing 110/33-11kV Kamalnagar sub-station in Aurad Taluka, Bidar District for a distance of 26.793 kms along with construction of one number of 110kV TB at existing 110/33-11kV Ladha Sub-station and number of 110kV TB at existing 110/33-11kV Kamalanagar sub-station.

2) Salient Features: The existing network will be strengthened, future load can be catered and interruption time will be minimized. **3) Areas Passing through:** Kesarjavalga, Saigaon, Khudavandpura, Thamagyala, Wagalga-on, Metimelakunda, Metimelakundawadi, Kakanala, Atnura, Sonala, Chandeshwara, Kamalanagara and Diggi. **4)** Approx. cost: **Rs.1083.73 lakhs.**

Note: The line is passing through the following Survey numbers.

Survey no's:

Sl. No.	Tower Nos.	Revenue Survey Nos.
Taluka: Bhalki	**Hobli: Sayagaon**	**Village Name: Kesarjavalga**
1	Bay to Loc No.1	53, 54
2	Loc No.1 to Loc No.2	54
Taluka: Bhalki	**Hobli: Sayagaon**	**Village Name: Sayagaon**
3	Loc No.1 to Loc No.2	203
4	Loc No.2 to Loc No.3	203
5	Loc No.3 to Loc No.4	203, 204, 202
6	Loc No.4 to Loc No.5	202, 179, 178
7	Loc No. 5 to Loc No.6	178,186
8	Loc No.6 to Loc No.7	186,187,188
9	Loc No.7 to Loc No.8	188,148
10	Loc No.8 to Loc No.9	148,146
11	Loc No.9 to Loc No.10	146,145
12	Loc No.10 to Loc No.11	145,143
13	Loc No.11 to Loc No.12	143,142
14	Loc No.12 to Loc No.13	142,111
15	Loc No.13 to Loc No.14	111
16	Loc No.14 to Loc No.15	111,112,109
17	Loc No.15 to Loc No.16	109
Taluka: Bhalki	**Hobli: Sayagaon**	**Village Name: Khudavandapura**
18	Loc No.15 to Loc No.16	99,100
19	Loc No.16 to Loc No.17	100,101,106
20	Loc No.17 to Loc No.18	106,107
21	Loc No.18 to Loc No.19	107,108,109
22	Loc No.19 to Loc No.20	109
Taluka: Bhalki	**Hobli: Sayagaon**	**Village Name: Vagalgaon**
23	Loc No.20 to Loc No.21	40, 39
24	Loc No.21 to Loc No.22	39, 38
Taluka: Bhalki	**Hobli: Sayagaon**	**Village Name: Khudavandapura**
25	Loc No.21 to Loc No.22	4
26	Loc No.22 to Loc No.23	4, 5, 6
27	Loc No.23 to Loc No.24	6
28	Loc No.24 to Loc No.25	6, 8
Taluka: Bhalki	**Hobli: Lakhangaon**	**Village Name: Thamgyala**
29	Loc No.25 to Loc No.26	39, 40, 41
30	Loc No.26 to Loc No.27	38, 42
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Major Works Division, KPTCL, Bidar.

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GLOBAL WEATHER

LR: Light Rain • HR: Heavy Rain • TDS: Thundershower • LC: Light Cloud • SNY: Sunny

Beijing	27	22	TDS	Los Angeles	29	20	LC
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Dhaka	33	27	TDS	Moscow	31	21	SNY
Dubai	38	33	LC	New York	29	21	TDS
Houston	34	25	TDS	Singapore	31	27	TDS
Istanbul	33	23	SNY	Toronto	25	19	TDS
London	32	18	SNY	Washington	30	20	LC

SAUDI ARABIA ALLOWS BUSINESSES TO OPEN DURING PRAYERS

RIYADH

SAUDI ARABIA has officially allowed businesses to remain open during the five daily Muslim prayers, a highly sensitive reform in a kingdom which is trying to shake off its austere image.

Since becoming de facto leader in 2017, **Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman** has introduced sweeping economic and social changes designed to reduce the kingdom's dependence on oil and reset the role of religion.

"Stores and other commercial and economic activities will remain open throughout the working day and especially during (prayer) hours," the Federation of Saudi Chambers said in a statement late on Friday.

Officially, the decision is part of the fight against the coronavirus pandemic and aims to avoid "gatherings and long queues in front of closed stores during prayer hours".

However, it comes after a 2019 decree that said businesses could stay open 24 hours a day for an unspecified fee. The move, which triggered confusion over whether it included the Islamic prayer times, was seen by some as a trial loosening of the rules.

Since then, some restaurants, supermarkets and other stores have stayed open, particularly in the capital Riyadh.

Previously, after the predawn Fajr prayer they were obliged to close during the day's other four prayers, putting workers out of action for a total of about two hours

Covid effect

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in the Islamic world's only mandatory prayer-time shutdown.

The new rules remove restrictions which members of the advisory Shura Council had said cost the Saudi economy tens of billions of riyals a year.

While the government's reforms have attracted little public criticism amid an accompanying crackdown on dissent, the issue remains highly sensitive in the kingdom where until a few years ago, religious police elicited fear by enforcing such rules.

The guardians of public morality, once notorious for chasing men and women out of malls to pray and berating anyone seen mingling with the opposite sex, are now largely out of sight. However, observers say that authorities still watch carefully for a possible backlash from arch-conservatives.

Saudi Arabia, home to the holiest Muslim sites, has long been associated with a rigid branch of Islam known as Wahhabism. *AFP*

UK reverses plans to ease travel curbs on France

LONDON

TOURISTS and the travel industry vented frustration and anger on Saturday after Britain reversed a plan to ease travel restrictions on France just two days after they were due to start, citing concerns about a variant of the coronavirus.

The move comes despite the fact that France currently has lower rates of the virus than the UK, where the highly contagious delta variant is driving a surge in infections.

On Saturday, Health Secretary Sajid Javid, who is in charge of Britain's coronavirus response, said he has tested positive for Covid and is self-isolating while he awaits the results of a second test.

Javid took over last month from Matt Hancock, who resigned after breaching social distancing rules.

Britain currently has higher rates of Covid than France, with more than 51,000 new infections confirmed on Friday, the biggest number for six months. Hospitalisations and deaths are also rising, but remain far lower than previous peaks. Despite the soaring cases, remaining restrictions are set to be lifted on Monday. *AP*

Europe flood death toll tops 160, costly rebuilding ahead

Receding floodwaters reveal the extent of damage; 141 dead in Germany

(Top) Cars show up as the flood water recedes on a road in Erftstadt, Germany, on Saturday. Due to strong rain, Erft river breached its banks causing massive damage. (Right) A destroyed house in Altenahr, western Germany | AP/PTI

BERLIN

RESCUE workers laboured to deal with damage laid bare by receding water on Saturday as the death toll from disastrous flooding in Western Europe rose above 160 and thoughts turned to the lengthy job of rebuilding communities devastated in minutes.

The death toll in western Germany's Rhineland-Palatinate state, home to the badly hit Ahrweiler county, rose to 98. Another 43 people were confirmed dead in neighbouring North Rhine-Westphalia state. Belgium's national crisis centre said the country's confirmed death toll rose to 27.

Days of heavy rain turned normally minor rivers and streets into raging torrents this week and caused the disastrous flooding that swept away cars, engulfed homes and trapped residents.

Immediately after the floods hit on Wednesday and Thursday, German authorities listed large numbers of people as missing, something apparently caused in large part by confusion, multiple reporting and communications difficulties in the affected areas, some of which lacked electricity and telephone service.

By Saturday, authorities still feared finding more people dead, but said numbers unaccounted for had dropped constantly, without offering specific figures.

In Belgium, 103 people were listed as missing Saturday, but the crisis center said lost or uncharged cellphones and people taken to hospitals without identification who hadn't had an opportunity to contact relatives were believed to be factors in the tally.

> **A lot of people have lost everything they spent their lives building up... their possessions, their home, the roof over their heads**
>
> Frank-Walter Steinmeier, prez

Meanwhile, the receding floodwaters eased access across much of the affected regions and revealed the extent of the damage.

"A lot of people have lost everything they spent their lives building up their possessions, their home, the roof over their heads," German President Frank-Walter Steinmeier said after meeting rescue workers and others in the town of Erftstadt.

Around 700 people were evacuated from part of the German town of Wassenberg, on the Dutch border, after the breach of a dike on the Rur river.

A resident of the Belgian town of Herk-de-Stad said she put off sleeping to try to empty her house of water.

Parts of the southern Netherlands also experienced heavy flooding, though thousands of residents were allowed to return home on Saturday. *AP*

CHINA

Team sent to Pak over deadly bus blast

Beijing: China on Saturday said it has sent investigators to Pakistan to probe an explosion on a bus that killed 12 people including nine Chinese nationals, calling the blast a "terrorist attack". The bus was carrying around 40 Chinese engineers, surveyors and mechanical staff to a hydropower dam construction site in the northwestern Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province on Wednesday. The other three people killed in the explosion were Pakistanis, while around 28 were injured. Islamabad previously blamed the blast on a mechanical failure that led to a gas leak, but China has called it a bombing. "China and Pakistan will work together to find out the truth," Chinese public security minister Zhao Kezhi said in a statement. Beijing has sent technical experts in criminal investigation to Pakistan to assist in the investigation. *AFP*

ASIA MATTERS

SINGAPORE

Maid's assault: Couple's appeal rejected

Singapore: A court in Singapore has dismissed an appeal by a couple here against their conviction for assaulting domestic helper from India. The couple, who are Singapore permanent residents, was convicted of multiple charges of causing hurt to their helper, Amandeep Kaur in 2016, after a trial in the State Courts. Farha Tehseen, 40, was sentenced to one year and nine months' jail, while her husband Mohammad Tasleem, 42, was given four months. *PTI*

MYANMAR

UN: 75 children killed, around 1,000 jailed

Geneva: Dozens of children have been killed and hundreds arbitrarily detained in Myanmar since a coup more than five months ago, UN rights experts warned Friday. The UN child rights committee said it had received "credible information" that 75 children had been killed and around 1,000 arrested in Myanmar since February 1. "Children in Myanmar are under siege and facing catastrophic loss of life because of the military coup," committee chair Mikiko Otani said in a statement. "Children are exposed to indiscriminate violence, random shootings and arbitrary arrests every day," Otani said. "They have guns pointed at them, and see the same happen to their parents and siblings." *AFP*

Judge rules US programme for child migrants illegal

WASHINGTON

A US federal judge dealt a fresh blow to an immigration program protecting undocumented migrants brought to the country as children, ruling it unlawful and blocking the enrollment of new applicants.

Instituted by former president Barack Obama in 2012, Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) covers around 700,000 people known as Dreamers. For many, America is the only country they have ever known.

In his ruling on Friday, Judge Andrew Hanen of the United States District Court in Houston said Obama exceeded his authority when he instituted DACA by executive order. The government must stop accepting people to the program, he said, though he added it could still receive applications.

He said the ruling did not require the Department of Homeland Security or Department of Justice to "take any immigration, deportation, or criminal action against any DACA recipient, applicant, or any other individual that it would not otherwise take."

The ruling also did not immediately affect the status of people already accepted to the program. To apply for DACA protection — which also allows the right to work — applicants must have arrived in the United States before age 16.

Applicants must be in school or have a high school degree or equivalent, or have been honorably discharged from the military and have a clean criminal record. In 2017, then-president Donald Trump tried to dismantle it on grounds that it was unconstitutional, triggering a lengthy court battle.

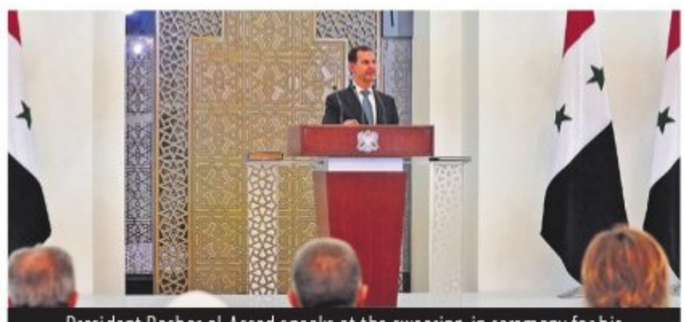
Challenges to the phase-out of the program eventually ended up on the nation's top court. DACA survived and was reinstated last December.

Democrats in Congress have pushed for legislation that would permanently settle the status of the childhood arrivals, but immigration policies have long stalled.

After Friday's ruling, House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, said: "Democrats call on Republicans in Congress to join us in respecting the will of the American people and the law, to ensure that Dreamers have a permanent path to citizenship." *AFP*

Biden set to appeal 'disappointing' ruling

President Joe Biden said on Saturday that the Justice Department intends to appeal a federal judge's ruling against DACA as he renewed his calls for Congress to create a permanent solution. He said the decision was "deeply disappointing." *AP*



President Bashar al-Assad speaks at the swearing-in ceremony for his fourth term in Damascus on Saturday

BASHAR ASSAD SWORN IN SYRIAN PREZ FOR FOURTH 7-YEAR TERM

- In power since 2000, Assad won a landslide victory
- The May elections were described by the West and Assad's opposition as illegitimate and a sham
- The swearing-in ceremony was held at the presidential palace and attended by clergymen, members of parliament, political figures and army officers
- His new term starts with the country still devastated by 10 years of war
- The conflict that began in 2011 started after the government cracked down on peaceful protests, turning the opposition against the decades-long rule of the Assad family into an armed rebellion.

The war has left nearly half-a-million killed, tens of thousands missing and devastated the infrastructure

Nearly half of Syria's pre-war population is either displaced or living in neighbouring countries or Europe as refugees

Severe economic crisis means 80% of Syrians live under the poverty line, says UN

- Assad is targeted by widening sanctions and isolated by the West
- But the regime is supported by Iran and Russia, who have sent in troops and assistance

TEXT: AP PIX: AFP

Shaken South Africans clean up stores, shopping centres after deadly unrest

DURBAN

SOUTH Africans on Saturday cleaned up shopping centres and stores looted during a week of shocking violence that rocked the country and left more than 200 dead.

Aid organisations also handed out food in communities that had been cut off from main roads or where food shops were ransacked in the unrest.

The violence — the worst in post-apartheid South Africa — erupted after former president Jacob Zuma was sentenced to 15 months in jail for snubbing a corruption inquiry.

His successor President Cyril Ramaphosa, who came to office promising to curb graft, said the riots were a "coordinated and well-planned attack" on the country's young democracy.

"Using the pretext of a political grievance, those behind these acts have sought to provoke a popular insurrection," Ramaphosa said in a televised address on Friday night.

The rioting caused widespread destruction, leaving thousands of businesses trashed, including many retail shops that were specifically targeted.

As an uneasy calm set in Saturday, residents in the hard-hit KwaZulu-Natal province swept up debris at the Dube Village Mall in the township of Inanda, north of Durban, shovelling it into refuse bags.

Zuma, whose home province is KwaZulu-Natal, commands support among loyalists in the ruling African National Congress, who portray him as a champion of the poor. *AFP*

'New quad done keeping in mind China's intentions'

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WASHINGTON could also have kept the Pakistan-Afghanistan-Uzbekistan railway line in mind while agreeing to form the quad to push its interests in the central Asian Republics.

A former diplomat said the formation of the 'new quad' was done keeping in mind China's intentions to extend the Belt Road Initiative to Afghanistan. "If China manages to extend the BRI to Afghanistan, it can use Kabul as a strategic point to spread its influence across the world," he said and added that it could help Russia in attaining its long-cherished goal of spreading its wings in the Indian Ocean region.

CHALLENGES BEFORE INDIA

With the formation of the new block, Russia-based US analyst Andrew Korybko said it was imperative for India to manage its relations with China. "That doesn't mean that India should move away from the US. It must improve its strategic negotiating leverage to avoid exploitation by the US and be its proxy against China," he said

Cuba president denounces protest as 'lie', calls images 'false'

HAVANA

CUBA'S President Miguel Diaz-Canel on Saturday denounced what he said was a false narrative over unrest on the Caribbean island, speaking during a rally alongside ex-president Raul Castro and before thousands of supporters in Havana. "What the world is seeing of Cuba is a lie," Diaz-Canel said.

He decried what he said was the dissemination of "false images" on social networks that "encourage and glorify the outrage and destruction."

Diaz-Canel's comments come days after historic demonstrations against the communist government.

On July 11 and 12, thousands of Cubans took to the streets in 40 cities around the island shouting "Freedom," "Down with the dictatorship," and "We're hungry."

One person has died and more than 100 have been arrested, including independent journalists and opposition activists, since the protests broke out over the worst economic crisis in decades.

Supporters of Cuban government march in Havana on Saturday | AFP

However, less than a week after the protest, many wonder what's next?

"There is political and social erosion ... There is a lot of disgust, we must talk more, do more things and things that were done wrong should be rectified," said Abel Alba, a 50-year-old civil engineer. "The president has tried to smooth things over a bit" but he waited "too long" to listen to the demands of the people.

Following the unrest, Cuban cabinet ministers announced a mix of measures including permits for travelers to import food and medicine without limits and allowing the emergency registration of Cubans' supply books by people outside their place of origin. "The Cuban government has just shown that it could have allowed the entry of food and medicine without quantity limits or tariffs all along but chose not to do so for more than a year of the pandemic," wrote José Jasan Nieves, director of the independent digital newspaper, El Toque. "People twisted their arms."

Street vendor Marlén Rodríguez, 66, was not at all optimistic. "There are no medicines, there is nothing, there is no food," he said. *Agencies*

₹1,31,894 cr Total reduction in non-performing assets (NPAs) due to write-offs by public sector banks during fiscal 2020-21, the Reserve Bank of India said

India set to gain from global tax framework; more start-ups to come

Countries are negotiating on a proposal to fix a 15% global minimum tax for multinationals

ANURADHA SHUKLA @New Delhi

AS the world is inching towards global tax framework, India expects to gain minimum about $12-13 billion annually in taxation, which it loses to offshore tax havens, once the framework is implemented and expects many companies shifting base back to India.

"Global tax framework is moving the way India wants it so it is a welcome move. Although the negotiations are still on and much will depend on the fine prints, our internal assessment suggests that even with a conservative estimate India will gain about $12 billion -$13 billion annually, which currently we are losing out. Also this will be a great disincentive for companies to shift base to low tax regime and will help in adding jobs as well," a senior finance ministry official said.

Other independent researches have backed the claim. According to the findings of the first study led by The Tax Justice Network (TJN), an independent research based international network, countries are losing over $427 billion in tax each year owing to international corporate tax abuse and private tax evasion. The report published in February this year, says that India lose $10.3 billion due to corporate tax evasion.

Official claim that if we calculate outbound investments for just tax abuse, including royalties paid to overseas affiliates in low tax jurisdictions, loss will be much more.

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What is the big deal?

The framework was there for sometime, but in its current form, it was floated last year to stop large corporations like Google, Amazon from evading tax.

Currently the global framework has two pillars. Pilar one proposes to give countries taxing rights for market jurisdictions and sharing profit where the companies hold a physical presence. The scope of Pillar One will apply to the largest and most profitable multinationals, like Google or Facebook, which has large consumer base in India and earn via ads and other tools, yet get away by paying paltry tax. By this arrangement they also evade tax back home.

In 2017-18, the Indian operations of Google and Facebook reported total revenues of almost ₹9,800 crore ($1.4 billion). Their tax payments were around ₹240 crore ($38 million). Once the deal is sealed, India will able to tax these corporates. However it has to let go the equalisation levy, it currently levy on such giants.

The second pillar of deal proposes a global minimum tax of 15%, which is under negotiation. Experts claim that the second pillar would help countries like India that sees a lot of investment coming from low tax jurisdictions like UAE or Singapore.

"Of the two parts or "pillars" of the scheme, India is set to gain more from the second pillar, which proposes a global minimum income tax. There are many companies, startups who have set their base in low tax jurisdictions or investment hubs like Singapore, UAE or route their invoicing through these jurisdictions. Now India will be able to tax income flowing to these companies to the extent below the minimum tax rate. Consequently, this may vacate the need to route these transactions through such companies and leaves a greater amount of income base for market countries like India to tax," Rohinton Sidhwa, Partner, Deloitte India explained.

So even if the host country is charging 2 or 3%, India will be able to claim the balance of the 15% tax. However Sidhwa adds that the quantum of the gain can be better assessed when the final prints will be released, which is expected in October.

Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman had already shared India's expectations and suggestions with US treasury secretary Janet Yellen, and after discussion, extended support to the global tax framework.

AS CLIMATE DEVASTATION SPREADS, EU SETS A WELCOME, HARDER PACE

GURBIR SINGH

CLIMATE issues are hotting up. Literally. Floods and scorching heat was the lot of the under-developed world. The Brahmaputra bursting its banks and flooding villages in lower Assam happens with sickening regularity in the monsoons. China's key cites like Beijing and Shanghai are facing hotter and longer summers, and wetter rain months.

But now climate is coming to haunt the developed world too. In the last few weeks, Canada and the US' Pacific-rim states have seen record, scorching temperatures and hundreds of deaths. Lytton, British Columbia, touched 49.6 °C in June end, a new record; temperatures you would associate with Sawai Madhavpur in Rajasthan. Vancouver police records show over 130 deaths on account of the heat wave. Canada's previous highest has been 45 °C.

US President Joe Biden admitted the heat wave was the result of climate change. The phenomenon of searing heat conditions over western parts of Canada and the US has been caused by a dome of static high-pressure hot air stretching from California to the Arctic territories.

Meanwhile, western Europe is currently seeing the heaviest rainfall in a century. Flash floods have devastated large parts of Germany, Belgium and the Netherlands. Footage beamed by TV channels showed streets and houses had become a mass of rubble. About 55 people have died so far while CNN reported in Germany's worst hit Rhineland-Palatinate state, 1,300 people have gone missing in the district of Ahrweiler.

At the other end of the Globe, Australia witnessed the hottest and driest year in history in 2020, and its summer of 2021 saw a wave of scorching temperatures and bushfires. Sydney recorded temperatures of over 40 °C in January this year, while a rash of wildfires destroyed homes, and killed 33 persons and about a billion native animals. Weather data showed that between 2014 and 2018, summers were 50% longer, and winters had become shorter.

Rising temperatures

Global warming, and the ecological damage it wrecks, has no borders. The earth's atmosphere has always acted like a greenhouse to capture the sun's heat, permitting humans, animal and plant life to thrive. However, over time, the heat being radiated out into space is being trapped under a film of greenhouse gases, slowly raising the temperature of the earth's surface.

Climate scientists estimate that land and ocean temperatures have increased at an average of 0.08 °C (Celsius) per decade since 1880; but the average rate of increase since 1981 at 0.18 °C has been more than twice the earlier rate. The 10 warmest years on record have all occurred since 2005, and 7 of the 10 have occurred just since 2014. The year 2020 has been the second-warmest year of all time.

Among the greenhouse gases that is trapping the heat, creating a pressure-cooker effect around the earth's surface, is carbon dioxide (Co2) estimated to make up 80% of these gases. Co2 is being emitted mainly from burning fossil fuels - coal, oil and natural gas - fuels that are used for everything from powering vehicles and generating electricity to manufacturing industrial chemicals.

There has been a 2-degree increase in global average surface temperature that has occurred since the pre-industrial era (1880-1900). It looks small, but the accumulated heat has a huge impact. The additional heat is causing huge climate change that is reducing snow cover, pouring billions of liters of water that is raising sea levels, intensifying heavy rainfall and changing agricultural patterns for the worse.

The EU sets new targets

It is in this context, the European Union (EU) has just announced, ahead of the US summit on Climate Change, a path-breaking initiative to become climate-neutral by 2050 - an economy with net-zero greenhouse gas emissions. These are in line with the 2015 Paris Agreement on Climate Change, but have more specific targets now for Europe. It also includes a deal to reduce global greenhouse gas emissions by 55% below 1990 levels by 2030.

Other key elements include complete phasing out of petrol and diesel cars by 2035; and increasing the binding target of renewable sources in the EU's energy mix to 40% from the earlier 32%.

The EU package is under attack both from the Greens, who say it does not do enough, as well as from the corporate sector like airlines, who accuse the EU of setting up an 'unequal' playing field. However, given the rapidly deteriorating climatic conditions, the EU package must be supported as it has clear targets to stem the rot. It will also force the pace of change on other regions.

What seems to be missed out in the Climate Change agenda is the failure to identify key global degradation areas like the Amazon rain forests and the Arctic meltdown. In the Amazon, 17% of the rain forests of south America have been destroyed deliberately by policies such as those of the current Brazilian President Jair Bolsonaro. It has put the region's climate systems at risk. Global intervention to stall further destruction is necessary in such cases.

Like stopping nuclear proliferation, limiting climate change is no more a 'national' issue.

After steep fall, discoms' dues on upward track

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @Chennai

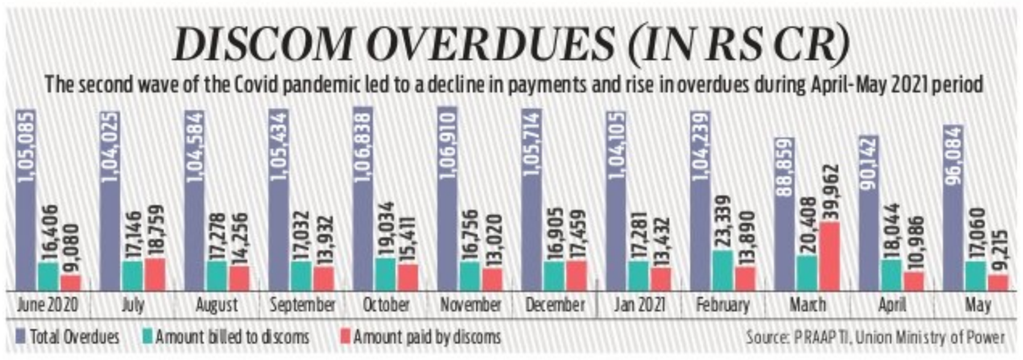
AFTER having recorded a steep decline during the last quarter of fiscal year 2020-21, the amount of money India's power distribution companies (discom) owe electricity generators (gencos) has started to register an increase again during April and May 2021, even as discom payments towards these dues have dived.

According to the latest data update on the ministry's PRAAPTI portal, discom overdues have been on a declining trend over the second half of the past fiscal year (FY21). Total overdues (including disputed amounts) falling from ₹1,06,910 crore in November 2020, to ₹88,859 crore in March 2021. This fall was driven by accelerated payments by discoms towards dues, going from ₹45,900 crore in the quarter between October-December 2020 to ₹67,200 crore in the January-March 2021 period. In fact, in March 2021, discoms are accounted to have paid ₹39,962 crore toward overdues.

Much of this decline has been driven by credit disbursements made under the Union government-backed ₹1.35 lakh-crore liquidity assistance scheme, announced as part of the pandemic relief measures last year. According to a report from Crisil Ratings, disbursements of around ₹1.05 lakh crore are expected to reach discoms by the end of this fiscal year. Last fiscal year, around ₹30,000 crore had been disbursed, "which arrested the rise in receivables to an estimated ~125 days as of March 2021 (compared with ~117 days as of March 2020)," it said.

In April and May 2021, however, overdues rose again—to ₹90,142 crore and ₹96,084 crore respectively. The power ministry defines overdues as those dues that are already past their due date (between 45-60 days) and remain partially or completely unpaid. Payments by discoms to gencos also slowed in those two months, going to ₹10,986 crore and ₹9,215 crore respectively.

According to industry sources, the fall in payments and rise in overdues is mild and primarily due to the impact of the second wave of the pandemic.


DISCOM OVERDUES (IN RS CR)
The second wave of the Covid pandemic led to a decline in payments and rise in overdues during April-May 2021 period
June 2020: 1,05,085 / 16,406 / 9,080
July: 1,04,025 / 17,146 / 18,759
August: 1,04,584 / 17,278 / 14,256
September: 1,05,434 / 17,032 / 13,932
October: 1,06,838 / 19,034 / 15,411
November: 1,06,910 / 16,756 / 13,020
December: 1,05,714 / 16,905 / 17,459
Jan 2021: 1,04,105 / 17,281 / 13,432
February: 1,04,239 / 23,339 / 13,890
March: 88,859 / 20,408 / 39,962
April: 90,142 / 18,044 / 10,986
May: 96,084 / 17,060 / 9,215
Total Overdues
Amount billed to discoms
Amount paid by discoms
Source: PRAAPTI, Union Ministry of Power

TO FIGHT FLIPKART

Amazon all set for Prime Day sale with Shein

BISMAH MALIK @ New Delhi

AMAZON 'S Prime Day sale in India will kick-off on July 26 and will also include popular Chinese brand Shein as one amongst its 1.2 million sellers.

Shein, which sells apparel, beauty, and athleisure products, was popular among India's millennial and Gen Z shoppers until the government banned its app in the country last year amidst heightened geo-political tensions between China and India.

The low-price factor and influencer marketing remain as the primary attractants for the Shein customers, even as the east China-based company had also come under scrutiny for its corporate governance as well as alleged labour exploitation.

Industry experts say that Amazon's attempt at helping Shein make a comeback in India is largely to stop its rival Flipkart's domination over the fashion segment in the e-commerce industry in India especially with latter's niche subsidiaries, Myntra as well as exclusive tie-ups with homegrown and overseas brands. Walmart-backed Myntra recently concluded its annual 'End-of Reason' sales, said that it sold 18 million products ordered by 4.2 million customers across the country.

HDFC Bank's Q1 net profit grows 16%; asset quality sees deterioration

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @New Delhi

ASSET quality of HDFC Bank deteriorated in the June quarter of the current financial even as the bank posted an underwhelming set of numbers during the quarter.

The bank posted an 18% growth in net revenues (net interest income plus other income) to ₹23,297.5 crore for the quarter ended 30 June 2021 from ₹19,740.7 crore in the same quarter previous year. Net interest income (interest earned less interest expended) for the quarter grew at 14% to ₹17,009.0 crore from ₹15,665.4 crore for the quarter ended 30 June 2020.

The net profit (profit after tax) grew 16.1% to ₹7,729.6 crore. On a sequential basis, the bank's net profit showed a drop of 5.6%.

The core net interest margin of the bank was 4.1% during the quarter, which is an 18-quarter low.

According to a statement by the bank, during the quarter, the country was hit by a second wave of Covid-19 and business activities remained curtailed for almost two thirds of the quarter. "These disruptions led to a decrease in retail loan originations, sale of third-party products, card spends and efficiency in collection efforts. The lower business volumes, coupled with higher slippages, resulted in lower revenues, as well as an enhanced level of provisioning," said the bank in a press statement.

The bank reported a 24% year-on-year jump in gross NPA at ₹1.71 lakh crore, and 67% jump in net NPA to ₹58,958 crore during the quarter.

Gross NPA at the end of the June quarter was 1.47% of total advances, 11 basis point higher than the same quarter in previous year. GNPA was 1.32% in the fourth quarter of 2020-21.

Net NPA of the bank during the quarter was 0.48% of the total advances, 15 basis points higher than during the same period previous quarter.

Total advances grew at 14.4% to ₹1,147,652 crore, while deposits showed a 13.2% jump to ₹1,345,829 crore. CASA deposits grew by 28.1% with savings account deposits at ₹426,132 crore and current account deposits at ₹185,669 crore.

EXPRESS READ

Ball in RBI's court for lifting ban: HDFC Bank

Mumbai: HDFC Bank has complied with 85% of RBI's asks on technology, and the ball is now in the regulator's court on when to lift the ban on issuing new credit cards, its managing director and chief executive Sashidhar Jagdishan said on Saturday.

Zurich Airport, NIAL ink pact for Noida airport

New Delhi: The Zurich Airport International on Saturday signed a shareholder agreement with the Uttar Pradesh government's entity NIAL in Lucknow for the development of the Noida International Airport, a statement said.

SBI Saidapet branch shifted to new premises

State Bank of India, Saidapet branch shifted to new premises at # 80 A, Chevalier Shivaji Ganesan Salai, South Boag Road, T Nagar Chennai 600017 from its existing premises at EVR PeriyarMaligai, Nandanam, Anna Salai. The new office was inaugurated by Hans Raj Verma, Additional Chief Secretary, CMD, TIIC in the presence of R Radhakrishna, CGM & Vinod Jaiswal, GM, NW-1, SBI,Chennai Circle.

Shopping Centre Association of India demands relief from RBI to cope up with Covid impact

The Shopping Centre Association of India (SCAI) has written a letter to RBI Governor Shaktikanta Das and sought urgent financial package to save the Covid-hit sector. "We have repeatedly expressed the fact that over 80% of staff working in shops, restaurants and service sectors belong to economically weaker section and is directly impacted with the business," the SCAI said in the letter to RBI Governor.

Business & Beyond

GRSE lays keel of fast patrol vessel yard 2118

Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers Ltd, (GRSE), a Mini Ratna Category 1 Defence PSU and a leading warship building company, laid the keel of Fast Patrol Vessel (FPV) Yard 2118 today. This vessel is being constructed for Indian Coast Guard as a replacement for the recently exported FPV SCG PS Zoroaster which was handed over by Prime Minister Narendra Modi to the government of Seychelles.

NGOs felicitated for supporting ESIC Hospital during Covid

Bhupender Yadav, Union Minister for Labour & Employment and Environment, Forest & Climate Change and Rameswar Teli, Minister of State for Labour & Employment and Petroleum & Natural Gas, felicitated the representatives of organisations who contributed oxygen plants, oxygen cylinders, disposable kits, etc. to ESIC Hospitals during the Covid-19.

Gadkari hopes road accidents, deaths to cut by 50% by 2025

We hoped that the road accidents and resultant deaths in the country will be reduced by 50 % before 2025, and there should be no compromise on saving the lives of the persons involved in road accidents, said Union Minister Nitin Gadkari while inaugurating the the International Virtual Symposium on Vehicle Crash Safety organized by MIT-ADT University, Pune.

इण्डियन ओवरसीज़ बैंक Indian Overseas Bank

Information Technology Department
Central Office: 763, Anna Salai, Chennai-600002

Indian Overseas bank (IOB) invites for the following: RFP Reference Number: RFP/ITD/007/21-22 DATED 15.07.2021

Request for proposal for Supply, Installation and Maintenance of Network Behavior Anomaly Detection (NBAD), Web Application Firewall & Privilege Identity Management Solution

Earlier RFP (reference no:RFP/ITD/001/21-22 DATED 17.04.2021) for Supply, Installation and Maintenance of Network Behavior Anomaly Detection (NBAD), Web Application Firewall & Privilege Identity Management Solution is hereby declared as cancelled. The RFP document for the above tender is available in bank's e-tendering website **https://iobtenders.auctiontiger.net & www.iob.in.** For RFP details and future amendments, cancellation if any, keep referring to the above websites.

PUBLIC NOTICE

REVOCATION OF POWER OF ATTORNEY, WILL AND OTHER DOCUMENTS

I, CHANDRAKALA RUDRAPPA, AT 1215, COURTNEY COMMONS LN.. APARTMENT 1218, CHARLOTTE. NC 28217. NORTH CAROLLINA have cancelled the Power of Attorney will and other documents executed in favour of RAGHAVENDRA BASAVARAJ the Authority to act on my behalf in respect of my properties, assets etc., by revocation of Power of Attorney. Will and other documents dt:9-7-2021.

The General Public are hereby warned not to deal with the above said GPA Holder in relation to movable assets and immovable property bearing No.1687, located at Allalasandra, Chikkabommasandra and Jakkur plantation villages, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk formed by the Karnataka State Judicial Department Employees House Building Co-operative Society. Bangalore measuring E-W: 40'.3" and N-S: 30' and any such transaction will not bind me.

CENTRAL ORGANISATION FOR RAILWAY ELECTRIFICATION

1, Nawab Yusuf Road, Civil Lines, Prayagraj-211001, Website: www.core.indianrailways.gov.in E-mail: ohe1.core@gmail.com

Tender No: ELCORE-OHE-GR-281AMod **Closing Date/Time: 10.08.2021 15:00**

E-TENDER NOTICE

CAO/RE acting for and on behalf of The President of India invites E-Tenders against **Tender No ELCORE-OHE-GR-281AMod Closing Date/Time 10/08/2021 15:00 Hrs.** Bidders will be able to submit their original/revised bids upto closing date and time only. Manual offers are not allowed against this tender, and any such manual offer received shall be ignored.

Contractors are allowed to make payments against this tender towards tender document cost and earnest money only through only payment modes available on **IREPS** portal like net banking, debit card, credit card etc. Manual payments through Demand draft, Banker cheque, Deposit receipts, FDR etc. are not allowed.

1. NIT HEADER

Name of Work	"Design, Supply, Erection, Testing & Commissioning of 25 kV, 50 Hz, Single Phase, AC, Electrification including OHE work" in **Barabanki** (Excl.) - **Faizabad** (Incl.) - **Akbarpur** (Excl.)- Section (for 2nd line and upcoming yard line), Gr. 281A Mod of **Lucknow** Division of **Northern Railway** under RE Project **Lucknow**, Total 178 TKM.		
Bidding type	Normal Tender		
Tender Type	Open	**Bidding System**	**Two** Packet System
Tender Closing Date Time	10.08.2021 15:00	**Date Time Of Uploading Tender**	16.07.2021 12:41
Pre-Bid Conference Required	No	**Pre-Bid Conference Date Time**	Not Applicable
Advertised Value	371482465.46	**Tendering Section**	OHE
Bidding Style	Single Rate for Each Schedule Item	**Bidding Unit**	
Earnest Money/Bid Security (Rs.)	0.00	**Validity of Offer (Days)**	60
Obtain Bid Security Declaration in lieu of Bid Security		Yes	
Tender Doc. Cost (Rs.)	0.00	**Period of Completion**	30 Months
Contract Type	Works	**Contract Category**	Expenditure
Bidding Start Date	27.07.2021	**Are Joint Venture (JV) firms allowed to bid**	Yes
Ranking Order For Bids	Lowest to Highest	**Expenditure Type**	Capital (Works)

No.: PR-82/2021 (Kaka) **Serving Customers with a Smile** **Website: www.ireps.gov.in**

STATE BANK OF INDIA

RETAIL ASSETS CENTRAL PROCESSING CENTRE (RACPC-4) WHITE FIELD (17753)

Authorised Officer's Details:
Name: **Smt Geetha S. K.**
E-mail ID: **sbi.17753@sbi.co.in**
Mobile No: 9845005286
Landline No.(Office): 080-28411010 / 28411020

Authorised Officer's address:
NO.117,Ground Floor , Neil Rao Towers,
Road No. 3, White Field Road, Bengaluru -560066.
Tel No. 080-28411010/1020
E-Mail: sbi.17753@sbi.co.in

APPENDIX- IV-A
[See proviso to rule 8 (6)]
SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of FinancialAssets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Mortgagers that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of the Bank, the Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" basis on **05.08.2021** for recovery of **Rs.23,21,599.00** (Rupees Twenty Three Lakh Twenty One Thousand Five Hundred Ninety Nine Only) as on 13.07.2021. You are also liable to pay future interest from 14.07.2021 at the contractual rate on the aforesaid amount together with incidental expenses, cost, charges, etc., due to the Bank, the Secured Creditor from **(1) Sri.Shubhajit Sarkar** S/o Nityendra Chandra Sarkar and **(2) Smt.Piyali Pal Sarkar** W/o Shubhajit Sarkar.
The Reserve Price will be **Rs.35,74,000.00** (Rupees Thirty Five Lakh Seventy Four Thousand Only) and the Earnest Money Deposit will be **Rs.3,57,400.00** (Rupees Three Lakh Fifty Seven Thousand Four Hundred Only). Last Date within which EMD to be remitted is **03.08.2021.**

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

Tender No: SBI/RACPC/Whitefield/01/2021-22 :
Name of the title deed holder: Sri.Shubhajit Sarkar S/o Nityendra Chandra Sarkar and **Smt. Piyali Pal Sarkar** W/o Shubhajit Sarkar.
SCHEDULE "A" PROPERTY: All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Site No.23A, Khatha No. 50/11/23A, Old No.50/11 situated at Sonnathammanahalli @ T.C.Palya, Krishnarajapuram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk previously under the limits of Krishnarajapura CMC, now comes under the limits of BBMP, Bangalore measuring East to West 60.375 feet and North to South 54.8 feet, measuring in all 3308 Sq.ft. and bounded on East by: Private property, West by:Road, North by: Site No.23 and South by: Road
SCHEDULE "B" PROPERTY: Residential Apartment bearing Flat No.F-03, in First Floor of "Sree Apartments" constructed on the Schedule A property having a super built up area of 998.18 sq.feet of whih a built up area of 760.81 sq.ft and 328.22 sq.ft. of undivided share of interest in Schedule A property consisting of 2 Bedrooms with 2 toilets, kitchen, dining and living room, vitrified tiles flooring, sanitary, electrical wiring and other facilities equipped with 2 covered car parking space (measuring 150 sq.ft.) in the stilt floor standing in the joint names of Sri.Shubhajit Sarkar S/o Nityendra Chandra Sarkar and Smt. Piyali Pal Sarkar W/o Shubhajit Sarkar.

The sale shall be subject to provisions of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.
For further details regarding inspection of the property the intending bidder may contact the Authorised Officer, **State Bank of India, RACPC-IV, Whitefield, Bengaluru- 560066** during office hours, **Phone No. 080-28411010/1020** or Bank's approved Resolution Agent, **Sri Devi Resolutions Pvt. Ltd, Bangalore Representative: Sri. Jagadish, Cell No.9902401486.**
For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in https://bankeauctions.com, www.tenders.gov.in and Secured Creditor's website i.e. www.sbi.co.in

Place: Bengaluru,
Date: 15.07.2021
Sd/-
Authorized Officer

Deputy Director of Public Instruction and Ex-officio DPO. SSK-Hassan Dist, Hassan.

No:SSK/act1/O.S.T.08/2021-22, Dated : 15-07-2021

Short term E-tender Notification

For the financail year 2021.-22 the office of Samagra shiksha Karnataka,Hassan has called applications from eligible agencies/institutions for 27 various posts (dist programmer, Mic ordinator, data entry operators & Account Asst.) to be filled at District/Taluk level. The appnications for short term tender should be submit through www.epro.karnataka.gov.in. And application should be submit in the method of double cover system. Approximate tender amount: 5200000/Application submission start from : 16-07-2021 Last submission date : 30-07-2021, 5.00 pm Technical bid opening date :02-08-2021, 11.00 am Finacial bid opening date : 04-08-2021, 11.00 am For more assistance contact: 9480886939, 8310111158.

Sd/- (K.S.PRAKASH) DDPI AND EX-OFFICIO DPO.SSK. HASSAN DIST.

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NOTICE U/S 13 (2) OF SARFAESI ACT 2002, (hereinafter referred to as Act) r/w Rule 3(1) OF SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES, 2002.

Name and Address of the borrower/Co-obligants/Guarantors: (1) Mr.Raju K.M. S/o.Mr.Manchegowda, (2)Mrs. Shruthi, W/o. Mr.Raju K.M and (3) Mrs. Gowramma, W/o.Mr.Manchegowda all residing at 100, Kondapura Village, Kodamballi, Channapatna Taluk, Ramanagar District 562138
Details of secured Assets: All the piece and parcel of land bearing site No. 77, LIG, Property No. 152900103000800545, Khaneshmari No. LIG SS 77 of Thittamaranahalli Gram Panchyat, measuring East to West 12 Mtrs and North to South 9Mtrs, in all 108 sq.mtrs with building situated at Extension S & S, Ward No. 31, Mahadeshwranagar Channapatana Town and Taluk, Kasaba Hobli, Mangalavarapete, village, Ramanagara District and bounded on East by: 9 Mts Road, West by: Site No. 86 &87, North by: Site No.76 and South by: Site No.78 (As per the sale deed No: 405 of 2016-2017 of SRO Channapatna)
Date of demand Notice: **04-06-2021**, **Nature of Facility:1.Housing loan** 16487300000230,**Loan Amount** Rs.25,00,000/- Nature of facility-2 Home Plus Top Up Equity Loan(Property Power loan) **A/c.No.**16487600000542, **Loan Amount:** Rs. 17,00,000/-, Branch: Channapatna, **Date of NPA** 05/05/2021,Total outstanding ₹.24,81,819.66(Rupees Twenty Four Lakh Eighty One Thousand Eight Hundred Nineteen and paise Sixty Six Only)as on 28/05/2021 under Housing Loan A/c.No.16487300000230 is due from 1 to 3 with further interest thereon @07.95% per annum with monthly rests from 28/05/2021 and ₹.17,80,225.00(Rupees Seventeen Lakh Eighty Thousand Two Hundred Twenty Five Only) as on 03/06/2021 under Home Plus Top Up Equity Loan(Property Power loan) A/c No.16487600000542 is due from No.1 to 3 with further interest thereon@09.35% p.a with monthly rests from **03/06/2021**.
1st of you as borrower 2nd and 3rd of you as the co-borrower/Guarantor/ Co-obligant availed from our Bank's branch as above the credit facilities after executing necessary security agreements / loan documents in favour of the Bank. Towards the security of the aforesaid credit facilities availed from the Bank, no.1 of you has / have created security interest in favour of the Bank by way of mortgage/hypothecation in respect of the above mentioned properties.
The aforesaid hypothecated / mortgaged properties hereinafter referred to as 'the secured assets'. The undersigned being Authorised Officer of the Federal Bank Ltd. hereby inform you that a sum of rupees mentioned above is due from you jointly and severally as aforesaid under your loan accounts with the branch of the Bank mentioned above. In view of the default in repayment, your loan account/s is/are classified as Non-Performing Asset, on the date mentioned above as per the guideline of RBI.
You are hereby called upon to pay the said amount with further interest along with @2% overdue interest till the date of payment as mentioned above and costs within 60 days from the date of this notice, failing which, the Bank will exercise all the powers under section 13 of the Act against you and the above mentioned secured assets such as taking possession thereof including the right to transfer them by way of lease, assignment or sale, or taking over the management of the secured assets for realising the dues without any further notice to you .It is informed that, you shall not transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise any of the above mentioned secured assets without the Bank's written consent. In the event of your failure to discharge your liability and the bank initiates remedial actions as stated above, you shall further be liable to pay to the bank all cost, charges and expenses incurred in that connection. In case the dues are not fully satisfied with the sale proceeds of the secured assets, the bank shall proceed against you personally for the recovery of the balance amount without further notice. Your attention is also invited to the provisions of section 13 (8) of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets (security properties). This notice is issued without prejudice to the other rights and remedies available to the bank for recovering its dues.

Date : 14.07.2021
Place : Bengaluru
Sd/- Authorised Officer
Federal Bank Ltd.

Government of India
Department of Atomic Energy
Bhabha Atomic Research Centre
Projects (Mysore) - Civil Engineering Section

Yelwala, Mysuru -571130, Telephone: **0821-2406401/ 2406664/ 2402312**
Fax: **0821-2403064**

NOTICE INVITING e-TENDER

The Superintending Engineer, BHABHA ATOMIC RESEARCH CENTRE, Mysore invites on behalf of the President of India, online item rate tenders in two parts from experienced Contractors with sound financial & technical capacity for the following work:

Tender Reference No.	**BARC/MYS/PROJECT/CES/03/2021- 22**
Name of work	Providing and applying painting to the internal walls and ceilings for various types of quarters in BARC Township in Kuvempunagar, Yelwal, Lakshmipuram colony, Mysuru.
Estimated Cost	₹ **21,50,000.00** (Rupees Twenty one Lakh fifty thousand only)
Period of Completion	**12 (Twelve) Months**
Earnest Money Deposit	NIL* (Bid-Security Declaration in lieu of EMD in the appropriate attached format shall be submitted within due date mentioned in point No.(x)of NIT.
Tender Sale Period	From **20.07.2021(11:00 hrs)** to **30.07.2021 (15:00 hrs)**

Interested tenderers may please refer detailed Notice Inviting Tender (NIT) for eligibility criteria and other details, which can be downloaded from web site ***www.tenderwizard.com/dae*** or ***www.barc.gov.in***

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अल्पकालीन निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना संख्या–BMSICL/Infra/16/2021,

बिहार चिकित्सा सेवाएँ एवं आधारभूत संरचना निगम लिमिटेड, पटना द्वारा कोविड–19 के परिप्रेक्ष्य में राज्य के निम्न सदर अस्पतालों में RTPCR Lab के स्थापना हेतु प्रतिशत / मद दर अल्पकालीन निविदा आमंत्रित की जाती है। कोई भी संवेदक निविदा में भाग ले सकते हैं, परंतु उक्त कार्य का लेटर ऑफ एक्सेप्टेंस प्राप्त होने के पश्चात इस निगम के समुचित श्रेणी में निबंधन कराना अनिवार्य होगा:–

ग्रुप संख्या	कार्य का नाम	परिमाण विपत्र की राशि (रू0 में)	अग्रधन की राशि (रू0 में)	परिमाण विपत्र का मूल्य (रू0 में)	बिड प्रोसेसिंग शुल्क (रू0 में)	कार्य समाप्ति की अवधि
1.	सदर अस्पताल कैमुर में RTPCR Lab की स्थापना से संबंधित कार्य।	96,36,231/–	1,92,800/–	10,000/–	5,900/–	1 माह
2.	सदर अस्पताल बाँका में RTPCR Lab की स्थापना से संबंधित कार्य।	96,36,231/–	1,92,800/–	10,000/–	5,900/–	1 माह
3.	सदर अस्पताल जमुई में RTPCR Lab की स्थापना से संबंधित कार्य।	96,36,231/–	1,92,800/–	10,000/–	5,900/–	1 माह
4.	सदर अस्पताल लखीसराय में RTPCR Lab की स्थापना से संबंधित कार्य।	96,36,231/–	1,92,800/–	10,000/–	5,900/–	1 माह
5.	सदर अस्पताल शेखपुरा में RTPCR Lab की स्थापना से संबंधित कार्य।	96,36,231/–	1,92,800/–	10,000/–	5,900/–	1 माह
6.	सदर अस्पताल अरवल में RTPCR Lab की स्थापना से संबंधित कार्य।	96,36,231/–	1,92,800/–	10,000/–	5,900/–	1 माह
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CHANGE OF NAME
I, **NETRA S SHETTAR,** Residing at No.78, BEML Layout, Basavesharanagar, Bangalore - 560079, have changed my minor daughter's name from **KRUTHI JAKKANNAVAR to KRUTHI N**, vide affidavit dated 16-07-2021, sworn before notary Hegde Ganapati Venkatraman, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **RAJAMMA** R/at No.198,7th Cross, 2nd Block, Vishwapriya Layout, Begur, Bengaluru-560068, have changed my name to **ARCHANA** vide affidavit dated:17/07/2021 Before Notary **Hemalatha. P** Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **KIRAN RAJ. R.,** R/at No. 13, 7th B Cross, 7th main, 80feet Road, Subbanapalya, Banaswadi, Bengaluru- 560033, have changed my name to **JACK KIRAN. R** vide affidavit dated:17/07/2021 Before Notary **Hemalatha. P** Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME
I, RAVISHA T N @ RAVISHA T S, S/o Nigappa @ Srinivas, Aged about 43 years, R/at Thigalarahalli, Kanakapura, Kallahalli, Ramanagar District 562117, now at Bangalore, have changed my name from **RAVISHA T N** to **"RAVISHA T S"**, vide affidavit dated 17.07.2021 sworn before Notary **H H Nagaraj** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, SHALINI R PADI, Aged about 46 years, D/o Raghavendra R Padi, R/at No.756, 15th Main Road, Banashankari 2nd Stage, Bangalore 560 070, have changed my name from **SHALINI KISHOR** to **"SHALINI R PADI"**, vide affidavit dated 16.07.2021 sworn before Notary **Aravind Patil G G** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, RACHANA BHANDI, D/o. M. K. Bhandi, aged about 28 years, Residing/at No. 40, 7th B Main Road, Muthyalanagara, J. P. Park, Bengaluru-560054, my name has been mentioned in my passport bearing No. J8449685 as Rachana Now I have changed my name as Rachana Bhandi as per Voter ID Card. Hence I declare that my name will continue as Rachana Bhandi in all future government office and business affairs. For this purposes I sworn vide affidavit dated **17.07.2021** before notary Naik Krishnamurthy Manja at Bangaluru-560054.
Place : Bangalore
Date : 17.07.2021

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Sri KATARU PANDU,** S/o Sri Rangaiah, aged about 36 years, R/a No. 2/36, Ground Floor, 1st 'B' Main Road, Old Binnymiller Road, Ganganagar, R.T. Nagar (Post), Bengaluru-560032, do hereby declare that I have changed my daughter's name from **TEJASWI KATARU** to **KATARU RUSHIKA,** henceforth she shall be known and called as **KATARU RUSHIKA** only in all practical purposes and all official records, vide affidavit dated 15-07-2021, sworn before Advocate and Notary **D.S. CHANDRAKANTH** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
We, **K.S. SURYA DARSHAN,** S/o Late K.S. Satya Prakash, aged about 39 years and **R.B. PRANATHI** W/o K.S. Surya Darshan, aged about 34 years both are R/a 30, 2nd Cross, 2nd Stage, 13th Block, Nagarabhavi, Bangalore-72, do hereby declare that we have changed our daughter's name from **DEVARASETTY SAHASRA PRAKRUTHI** to **K.S. SAHASRA PRAKRUTHI**, henceforth she shall be known and called as **K.S. SAHASRA PRAKRUTHI** only, vide affidavit dated 16-07-2021, sworn before Advocate and Notary **C. SRINIVAS** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SONALI MAHALINGAPPA PATTANSHETTI,** aged about 37 years, D/o Mahalingappa Pattanshetti, R/a T2-502, Purva Skydale, 5th Floor, Silver County Road, Harlur,Kudlu, Bommanahalli, Bangalore-560068, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **SONALI PREETHAM** to **SONALI MAHALINGAPPA PATTANSHETTI,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **SONALI MAHALINGAPPA PATTANSHETTI** only, vide affidavit dated 17-07-2021, sworn before Advocate and Notary **D.K. RAMESHAPPA** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **MADHAN BABU B,** S/o Mr. Bagyanathan S, residing at #25,Second Floor, 3rd Cross, Annayappa Block, Benson Town, Bangalore- 560046, Karnataka, have changed my minor son name from **B M HARSHA VARDHAN ROHIT** to **HARSHA MADHAN BABU,** vide affidavit Dated: 15/07/2021 sworn before Advocate & Notary Public, **MEER HASSAN** at Bengaluru

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **MOHAMMED AAYUB MALIK,** R/at Permanently C/o Gopinath Ghoshal Gehlot Nivas, 5 & 66, Chandrappa Garden, R.A. Road, 1st Cross, Ejipura, Bangalore South, Bangalore-47, Karnataka India do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **SUMON GHOSHAL** to **MOHAMMED AAYUB MALIK,** hereafter I shall be known and called as **MOHAMMED AAYUB MALIK** only for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 17th July 2021, sworn before Advocate and Notary **A. IDINABBA** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **J. NIZHALGAL SEENU,** R/at permanently at #3, Chattappa Garden, Jeevanahalli, Near Purva Park Apartments, Bangalore-560 005, Karnataka, India do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **J. SRINIVASAN** to **J NIZHALGAL SEENU,** hereafter I shall be known and called as **J NIZHALGAL SEENU** only for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 17th July 2021, sworn before Advocate and Notary **A. IDINABBA** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, (OLD NAME) SYED FALAK UR RAHMAN, S/o. Syed Noorulla, residing at No. 31, 2nd Floor, Ankappa Block, J.C. Nagar, Bangalore-560006, have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) SYED FALAK UR RAHMAN** to **(NEW NAME) SYED FALAK UR RAHMAAN** vide affidavit Dated 16/07/21 sworn before Notary Hemalatha.P. Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, (OLD NAME) SATEESH MOGER, S/o. Manjunath, residing at No. 711, 2nd Floor, Swamy Nilaya, Gokula 1st Stage, 1st Phase, Mathikere, Bangalore-560054, have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) SATEESH MOGER** to **(NEW NAME) SATEESH.M.MOGER** vide affidavit Dated 16/07/21 sworn before Notary Hemalatha.P. Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, (OLD NAME) MANJUNATHA MYSORE RAMASWAMY, residing at Flat No. 202, 3rd Floor, Aishwarya Paradise Apartments, Patel Muniyappa Layout V Nagenahalli R.T.Nagar Post, Hebbal, Bengaluru-560032, have changed my name to **(NEW NAME) MANJUNATH MYSORE RAMASWAMY** vide affidavit dated 09/07/2021 sworn before Notary L.Gopalakrishna, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, (OLD NAME) MOHAMED SADIQ, residing at No. 201, G Floor, 4th Cross, 3rd Block, HBR Layout, AL-Hilal Nagar, Bangalore-560043, have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) MOHAMED SADIQ** to **(NEW NAME) MOHAMMED SADIQ** vide affidavit Dated 13/07/2021sworn before Notary N.Nagappa, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, ABUL HASEM SIKDAR, S/o. A K SIKDAR (Abul Kasem Sikdar), R/at No.207B, Mulberry Woods Apts, Carmelaram Road, Doddakannelli, Bangalore -560035, shall henceforth be known as **ABUL SIKDAR,** vide Affidavit dated 17/07/2021, before notary B.M. Chandrashekar, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, (OLD NAME) VIJAY KUMAR.K & NOORDAS, residing at No. 562, 6th Cross, 'B' Block, 7th Main, Lingarajapuram, Janagirama Layout (BDA Layout) Bangalore-560084, have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) VIJAY KUMAR.K & NOORDAS** to **(NEW NAME) VIJAY KUMAR.K @ NOORDAS** vide affidavit Dated 17/07/2021 sworn before Notary R.Basavaraja, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, Mahima Loya, Aged about 33 years W/o Manish Loya, residing at No.85, 4th Main, 4th Cross, Gururaja Layout, Banashankari 3rd Stage, Bengaluru-560028, Karnataka, India. I have changed my name after marriage from MAHIMA SHARDA To **MAHIMA LOYA (NEW NAME)**, vide affidavit dated **20.04.2021** sworn in before Mahesha. J.J.B.A. LLB, Advocate & Notary, Govt. of India, No.103/A, Byanapalya, Vajarahalli, Thalagattapura Post, Kanakapura Main Road, Bengaluru South, Bengaluru-560062.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Leena Pishe Thomas**, previously called **Leena Pishe,** Aged about 46 years, W/o Shibu Thomas, Residing at No.A-32, Smilee Greens, Huskur Road, Goolimangala, Bangalore-560 099. Hereby declare that, I have changed my name from **'LEENA PISHE' to "LEENA PISHE THOMAS"** Vide Affidavit dated 17.07.2021, Sworn before Advocate and Notary Public K.V. Mani, Bengaluru.

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Louis Oosthuizen set a 36-hole record at the British Open and is halfway to ending that run of near misses at the Majors. Now all he has to do is hold off a cast of major champs on the weekend. Oosthuizen broke away from a three-way tie with a birdie-birdie-eagle run from the 12th hole.

Bach seeks Japan support amid first reported case in Games Village

AFP @ Tokyo

IOC chief Thomas Bach urged the Japanese people to get behind the Tokyo Olympics on Saturday as the first coronavirus case hit the Games Village, prompting fresh jitters about the health risks posed by the giant event.

Bach, who has faced scattered protests since arriving in Japan, appealed to the public to throw their support behind the athletes despite fears of a spike in cases as thousands of international visitors arrive.

The IOC president said he was "very well aware of the scepticism" surrounding the postponed 2020 Games, which have attracted low opinion-poll ratings for months. "I appeal to the Japanese people to welcome these athletes here for the competition of their life," Bach said, insisting the Tokyo Olympics were safe, calling them the "most restrictive sports event... in the entire world".

"I would like once more to ask and to invite the Japanese people, humbly, to welcome and

support the athletes from around the world," he added.

Bach's plea comes just six days before the opening ceremony for the Games, which will take place in biosecure "bubble" conditions and largely without fans. It also coincided with the first case in the Olympic Village, concerning an unnamed person who is now in isolation. However, Bach said just 15 people had tested positive out of 15,000 arrivals in July, citing it as proof that the strict anti-coronavirus measures, including daily tests for athletes, are working.

He also held the door open to a possible return of fans if conditions improve, citing a communique issued after talks between the IOC, International Paralympic Committee, Tokyo 2020, Japanese government and Tokyo authority. "We will keep monitoring the anti-Covid developments. And if the circumstances should change, then we do have another immediate five parties meeting to address this with the relevant anti Covid-19 measures," said Bach.

Indian wrestlers are in a position of strength ahead of the Tokyo Olympics thanks to Sushil's pathbreaking performance in Beijing 13 years ago, which redefined the sport in the country

THE REVOLUTION

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SUSHIL Kumar had beaten Georgian wrestler David Pogosian 6-3 to make it to the 60kg semifinals of the 2003 Freestyle World Championship in New York. That was Sushil's fourth bout of the day. His body stiffened up. With no masseur, fellow athlete Kripa Shankar Patel, who had lost his second-round bout to make an early exit, was giving him a massage to help him get ready for the next bout. It was against veteran Arif Abdullayev, a two-time Olympian from Azerbaijan.

The semifinal bout went down to the wire with Sushil, 20 then, losing 8-9 to the eventual winner. He then lost the third-place tie to Jae-Myung Song of Korea to miss out on bronze. It extended India's 42-year medal wait at the Worlds.

"Those were different times. It was not about medals but about representing the country. I have represented the country from cadet to senior category from 1989 to 2010 uninterrupted and was credited for it quite often. Medals were not the yardstick then," said Patel, who despite having such a long career could never represent the country at the biggest sporting spectacle, the Olympics.

A year later, when Sushil headed for his maiden Olympics, he was considered a medal contender. He had already won World Championship twice in the cadet category (one each in 45kg and 50kg) apart from a couple of medals in the senior Asian and Commonwealth Championship in 60kg. By then, India had won only one medal in wrestling. It had come a time long ago — Helsinki in 1952 thanks to Maharashtra's KD Jadhav who had won a bronze. Unfortunately, the wait continued as Sushil finished 14th in his weight category.

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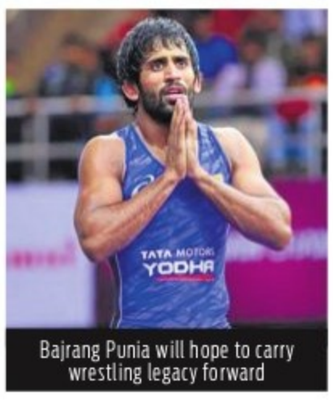
These days, India's medal prospects, no matter which discipline they take part in, have dedicated coaches, mostly from foreign countries, physiotherapists, masseurs, mental trainers and dieticians. They are not only being monitored on the field but eyes are on them off it as well. Dietary supplements are an integral part of their lives. But that was not the case in the past. "National wrestling camps used to be held in Patiala in those days. Forget about dietary supplements, we never got a proper diet then. It will sound awkward but we used to prepare *ghee* in our rooms at national camps. We were not allowed to have a gas cylinder in our rooms and the authorities used to conduct raids and confiscate cylinders if they manage to find one," recalled Patel.

All of these practices changed in 2008, the year that redefined Indian wrestling. A wiser, stronger and fitter Sushil eventually landed an Olympic medal, but not before a heartbreak. "He was favourite but lost the opening bout to Andrey Stadnik of Ukraine 1-8. Sushil went numb. Despite the loss, I did not lose hope. I was quite sure the Ukrainian will reach the final giving Sushil an opportunity to reach the medal round via repechage. As it transpired, he did exactly the same, pocketing



Bajrang Punia will hope to carry wrestling legacy forward

bronze in 66kg weight category," said PR Sondhi, the then men's team head coach.

While Sushil's medal in Beijing created a euphoria in the country, the Indian camp was ruing a missed opportunity. "Yogeshwar (Dutt) would have surely finished on the podium in 2008 but a mistake cost him the medal. The Indian government planned a rapturous welcome for us after Sushil's medal but Yogeshwar was hurting inside. He requested us to allow him to leave early so that he can train for the 2012 Games. He left three days early and kept his promise by bagging a 60kg bronze at the 2012 London Games," added Sondhi.

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That medal in 2008 revolutionised Indian wrestling. Despite winning the first Worlds medal in 1961, they managed to win only three in the next 49 years including Sushil's gold in 2010. But since 2011, they have won 13 medals including five at the 2019 Worlds. In Olympics, wrestling remains the only discipline to fetch medals for the country in every Games since 2008. Sakshi Malik became the first woman medallist from the country at the Olympics when she won a 58kg bronze in Rio in 2016.

"The Beijing bronze gave Indian wrestlers hope and confidence that they can win medals in Olympics. That mental block was gone and they were no longer satisfied with mere participation. With government and the federation providing facilities at par with foreign countries, they are now ready to challenge their famed opponents," opined Patel.

Given their exceptional track record in the past three Games, expectations are high this time as well. As many as seven wrestlers will compete at Tokyo and at least three of them are expected to medal this time. If they do, it will be another record. Their previous best was London Games when they won two medals (Sushil's silver and Yogeshwar's bronze).

But ahead of the mega event, the wrestlers have had a fair share of disappointments. The Covid-19 pandemic meant they were deprived of international tournaments for months. As things started opening up this year, they started competing and going on exposure trips. However, the deadly second wave forced them to change plans more often than not.

The plan of the women wrestlers to train in Poland and Hungary hit roadblocks when a couple of them withdrew from it due to injuries. The Wrestling Federation of India (WFI) had to plan an impromptu trip to Estonia after Hungary did not allow Anshu Malik (57kg) to train there.

While Bajrang Punia (65kg) and Vinesh Phogat (53kg) got their wish to train in Russia and Hungary respectively, the former injured his knee during an event thus losing out on some valuable match practice ahead of the Games. Ravi Dahiya (57kg) and Deepak Punia (86kg) got stranded in Poland at least for ten days before flying out for Russia. The biggest setback for Indian wrestling was the suspension of Olympic-bound Sumit Malik (125kg) last month after failing a dope test.

But come August 1, these wrestlers will be expected to make the country proud by overpowering their opponents at the Makuhari Messe irrespective of hardships they had to face in the buildup to the Games.

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MOMENTUM WITH THEM

Everyone in the team has had their share of success over the last two years. Some have built on that success to become habitual winners with their rise reflecting in world rankings: India boasts top-two ranked players in three disciplines (10m air pistol events and women's 25m pistol). And there's Elavenil Valarivan, who occupies the top spot in the women's 10m air rifle. The Olympics will be a different beast to tame but what the rankings (earned after consistent performances) suggest is that India enter the Olympics in the best shape possible.

EYE ON MANU & SAURABH

Two automatic choices for biggest medal hopes are Saurabh Chaudhary and Manu Bhaker. Both burst onto the scene with big hits shows at the junior circuit. And they have gone on to be serial winners. In Tokyo, their first goal will be to get through the qualifying stage. If they make the finals, they'll look to avoid the dreaded 9s (or below) and maintain a consistent score. After a potent start, those scores of 9s in the second series had proven costly for Saurabh recently during the Osijek World Cup final, where he won bronze. Moreover, they'll combine for the mixed event and that should give India a big lift.

IN-FORM RAHI & OTHER CONTENDERS

Rahi Sarnobat gave a timely reminder that she is ready for the Games with a blazing performance at the Osijek WC. In the final, Sarnobat was uncatchable after a certain stage, going on to threaten the WR mark — eventually falling short by one point. Gun for Glory product Elavenil will be determined to replicate her 2018-2019 form where she won multiple medals at junior and senior level with impressive scores, especially in the finals where many shooters tend to lose way. And it will be foolish to discount the rest of the squad, who have the ability to deliver on their day.

PRESSURE & PAST LESSONS

Even though they enter with tall hopes, one should note that there are a handful of shooters who are still very young. Pressure and pandemic-related stress could play a decisive factor. The 2016 Rio Olympics, where India had sent its then biggest team, is a reminder on how things could unexpectedly turn into a disaster. Moreover, the rifle shooters were uncharacteristically quiet in the recent World Cup. The worrying sign was that none of the big names could get past the qualifying hurdle, far from the ideal way to enter their biggest test.

No panic in India camp, says Chef de Mission

INDRANEEL DAS @Chennai

THERE was a scare on Saturday when Tokyo 2020 Olympics organisers confirmed that a resident at the Games Village tested Covid positive. The name and details have not been divulged though the organisers confirmed it not to be an athlete. But there is no panic in India camp.

The Indian contingent has started filtering into the Village batch by batch. The weightlifting team of Mirabai Chanu, coach Vijay Sharma and physio reached a day before the shooting team and the rowers, who reached on Saturday. All teams as of now are happy with whatever arrangements have been made at the Games Village. In fact, Mirabai, has started training from Saturday.

Biren Baishya, Chef de Mission of the Indian team, was also satisfied with the arrangements at the Games Village and said there is nothing to worry because of the positive test. Athletes are not worried too though they have been asked to follow all protocols diligently. "Teams have started arriving and they are happy with the arrangements," he told this daily from Tokyo.

The rowers — **Arjun Lal Jat and Arvind Singh** — along with the coach Ismail Baig, unlike the shooting and the weightlifting teams, have travelled from India so are subjected to stricter rules. However, it was not like when they went for a competition last time in May. That time they were confined to their rooms and were barred from talking to each other except for at designated times. According to a rowing official, except for mingling and talking with athletes from other countries, they are allowed to perform their basic Games related activities, including training. The rowers even checked their boat and other equipment and are likely to train from Sunday but on their own. They are allowed to enter the dining hall but have been asked to not mingle.

"The rowers will be subjected to tests during three-day restrictions and have been asked to not mingle with other athletes, especially with those from different countries," said Baishya. "We are ready to welcome the next contingent from India."

OLYMPIC UPDATE

South Korea remove anti-Japan banners

TOKYO: South Korea have removed anti-Japan banners at its accommodation in the Tokyo Olympic Village because they violated IOC guidelines. The banners, hung on the balconies of competitors' rooms, spelt out the slogan in Korean: "I still have support from 50 million Korean people.

Germany walk off after racist abuse

TOKYO: Germany walked off after 85 minutes of Saturday's pre-Olympics friendly with Honduras after Jordan Torunarigha suffered racist abuse. The 2016 silver medallists played the Central Americans in Wakayama, Japan, as they warmed up for their Games campaign which starts on July 22.

Shooters reach Tokyo, training likely from July 19

ANMOL GURUNG @ Chennai

THEY will be closely followed by many for the next few weeks. One of the biggest and highly-touted contingent from India reached Tokyo early in the morning on Saturday. Having spent four-five hours at the airport for Covid tests and immigration formalities, the Indian shooting team reached the Games Village in the afternoon. After getting acclimatised to the conditions in the Village and in Tokyo, the shooters are expected to start training from July 19, days before the Opening Ceremony on July 23.

"We reached in the afternoon. The Games Village is really good. Everything is very well organised," an upbeat Sanjeev Rajput, who is set to compete in men's 50m rifle 3 positions, told

Indian shooting team at the Tokyo airport on Saturday | SAI

this newspaper. The 15-member shooting team along with coaches and support staff had been training in Croatia and Italy for over two months.

The fact that they were training abroad means the team won't be subjected to three-day quarantine. All the participants, including athletes from Japan, will be tested on a daily basis. "Everybody is fine. It was a long journey for them so they're trying to get much-needed rest. Upon landing, everybody had done the needful as per IOC 'Playbook', so it was a smooth process," Rajiv Bhatia, NRAI secretary, said.

"I'm not 100 per cent sure, but I believe they can resume training from July 19," he added.

Whatever little amount of training they can get there could prove to be decisive for the shooters. The rifle/pistol shooters had been training in Zagreb before their arrival while the skeet shooters had been training in Italy. They had also participated in two events — European Championship and ISSF World Cup (both events were held in Osijek).

India will be fielding its biggest ever shooting contingent during the Games. The shooting events will be held from July 23 to August 2 at the Asaka Shooting Range.

After a steady rise in recent years, Indian shooters enter the event after strong shows in recent years. A medal-winning show could put their names in history books and propel them to greatness.

POSITIVE ENERGY

(from L) Ishan Kishan, Shikhar Dhawan, Kuldeep Yadav, Prithvi Shaw and Yuzvendra Chahal share a light moment during a training session ahead of the first ODI

INDIA START FAVOURITES AGAINST UNCERTAIN LANKA

After a five-day delay caused by Covid cases in the Sri Lanka camp, India's limited-overs series in the island nation will finally begin with the first of three ODIs at the Premadasa Stadium in Colombo on Sunday. Here's how the two teams shape up...

INDIA

The visitors have had plenty of practice and a couple of intra-squad games in preparation for the series. They must be itching to get out there and flex their muscle to prove that this is no second-string outfit. Led by opener Shikhar Dhawan, the team has plenty of options to choose from and should start as clear favourites.

SRI LANKA

Sri Lankan cricket has been ravaged by turmoil in recent weeks. Aside from the Covid cases in the camp and the poor results in England — the violation of protocols from three Lankans in England did not help matters — the players were also locked in a lengthy contract standoff with their board. They have agreed to sign tour contracts for the India series but the saga seems far from over. Amid all the chaos, how they are going to focus on cricket and beat a strong Indian team is anyone's guess.

SURYAKUMAR YADAV (INDIA)

The stylish right-hander has been in fine form over the last couple of years and showed against England earlier this year that he has the game for the highest level too. He will hope to continue making an impact and cement his place in the top-four ahead of the T20 WC.

DASUN SHANAKA (SRI LANKA)

The 29-year-old has been appointed as the captain of the Lankan ODI side and has a huge task ahead of him. While he will have to get his team's results in order, it is equally vital that he leads by example with his performances.

Possible XIs

India: Shikhar Dhawan (c), Prithvi Shaw, Suryakumar Yadav, Ishan Kishan (wk), Sanju Samson, Hardik Pandya, Krunal Pandya, Bhuvneshwar Kumar, Deepak Chahar, Varun Chakravarthy, Yuzvendra Chahal

Sri Lanka: Avishka Fernando, Pathum Nissanka, Minod Bhanuka (wk), Dhananjaya de Silva, Bhanuka Rajapaksa, Dasun Shanaka (c), Wanindu Hasaranga, Isuru Udana, Lakshan Sandakan, Dushmantha Chameera, Kasun Rajitha.

PITCH AND CONDITIONS

The pitch at R Premadasa Stadium in Colombo has plenty of runs on offer in general and should encourage batsmen to play their shots. There is a chance of some rain in Colombo on Sunday.

SRI LANKA VS INDIA LIVE ON SONY NETWORK FROM 3 PM

EXPRESS READ

HAL emerge champions

BENGALURU: HAL FC defeated Rebels FC 1-0 in the final of the BDFA 'B' division league championship to win the title on Saturday. Saikat Das scored the lone goal. Besides the two teams, Friends United FC and Blitz FC have also been promoted to 'A' Division for 2021-22 season. In the A division, BUFC and Jawahar Union FC finished as winners and runners-up respectively and also attained promotion.

Aditi, Pajaree share lead

MICHIGAN (US): India's Aditi Ashok and Pajaree Anannarukarn shared lead with Cydney Clanton and Jasmine Suwannapura after the third round of Dow Great Lakes Bay Invitational here. Aditi and Pajaree shot a bogey-free 67.

TALIBAN'S EXPANDING FOOTPRINT IN AFGHANISTAN

NATO countries have maintained a years-long stalemate in Afghanistan that kept the Taliban from taking over the country, in which India has invested considerable funds and effort to gain a geopolitical edge. With the US now withdrawing its troops from the fractured nation — despite spending more than $2 trillion over 20 years and losing thousands of soldiers — an emboldened Taliban are rapidly capturing Afghan territories, especially rural areas, and are launching assaults on strategic cities. If the insurgents return to power, Afghans would lose hard-won freedoms and Pakistan would direct the country's policy on India, to the latter's disadvantage. We take a look at Afghanistan's present status

40 The country of 40 million people has suffered constant warfare for 40 years

Source: Map info from Afghanistan Analysts Network, based on media reports, Afghan government and Taliban, and local sources

NO DEAL

The US has left Afghans to the mercy of the Taliban by withdrawing before a peace deal is reached between the insurgents and the Afghan government, which is also an ally of India. Observers are worried that Taliban will come to power by toppling the government by force

FIGHT OR FLIGHT

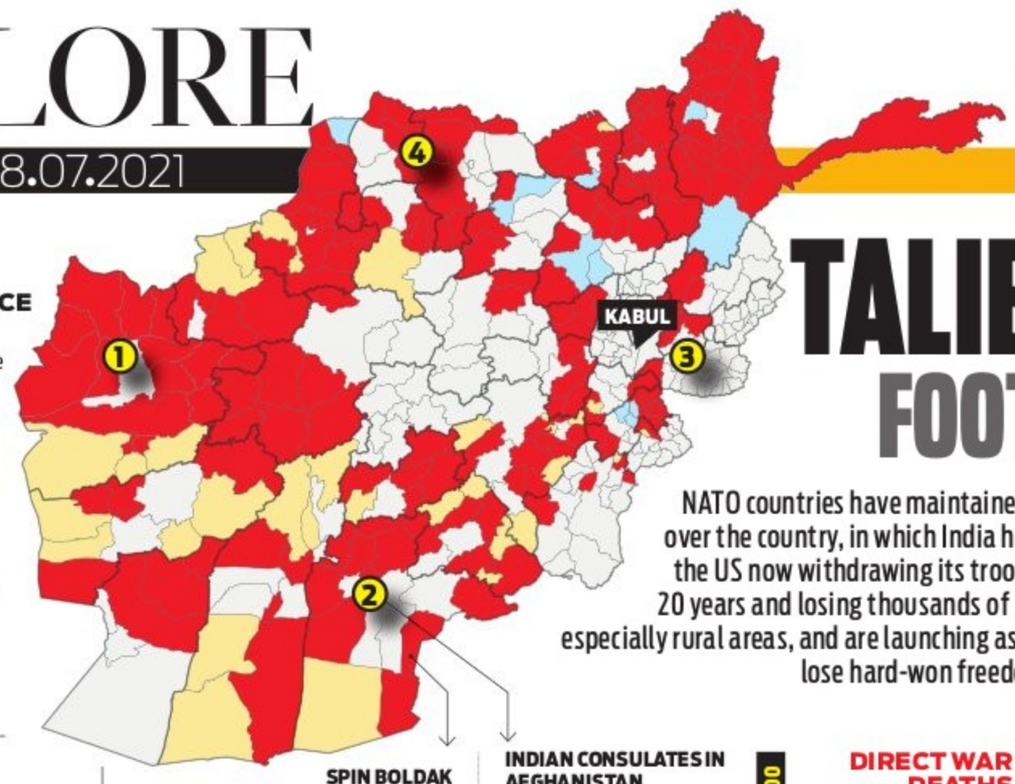
Afghanistan's security forces — long demoralised by heavy, repeated losses against the Taliban — are fleeing the country in face of the insurgents' advance. Around 1,000 soldiers fled to Tajikistan last month

WARLORDS SEE OPPORTUNITY

In 2001, Afghan warlords had joined forces with the US to drive out Taliban from Kabul. Now, the militia leaders are calling for a "second resistance", though they are not well-liked by Afghans

DOHA TALKS GO ON

Even as the Taliban make big battlefield gains, their representatives are meeting Afghan government officials in Doha, Qatar, to resume peace talks in the presence of Zalmay Khalilzad, a US special envoy



TIMELINE OF TALIBAN'S ADVANCE

The map shows the Taliban's rapid gains since May 1

- Taken by Taliban between May 1 and July 14
- District's administrative centre held by Taliban prior to May 1
- Taken by Taliban on May but since then recovered by Afghan government forces
- Government-controlled districts

EXPLAINER

The map makes the insurgents' strategy clear: Focus on border crossings and other revenue-generating areas, avoid provincial capitals and the eastern areas that border Pakistan

SPIN BOLDAK

Major border town where noted journalist and photographer Danish Siddiqui was killed on Thursday. He was embedded with the Afghan special forces and was caught in the Taliban crossfire, reported Reuters, where Siddiqui worked

INDIAN CONSULATES IN AFGHANISTAN

1. Herat
2. Kandahar
3. Jalalabad
4. Mazar-e-Sharif

INDIAN-AFGHAN TIES

$3 BN in developmental and reconstruction aid India is estimated to have committed to the Afghan government thus far

$1.5 BN India is Afghanistan's largest market in South Asia and the bilateral trade between the countries was valued at $1.5 billion in 2020, consisting mostly of Indian exports

1,700 Indians reside in the country, working as techies, bankers, construction workers, medics and academics

Supporters of the Taliban carry the Taliban's signature white flags in the Afghan-Pakistan border town of Chaman

DIRECT WAR DEATHS

Chart shows estimated fatalities in Afghan conflict, Oct 2001 to Apr 2021

Source: Costs of War, Brown University

72 journalists and media workers also killed

444 aid workers died

INDIA'S VAST ARRAY OF AFGHAN INVESTMENTS

INFRASTRUCTURE

- Chabahar port – developed jointly by India, Iran and Afghanistan. The 218 km long Zaranj-Delaram highway that facilitates movement from Afghanistan to Iranian border and further to Chabahar
- Afghan parliament constructed by India in 2011
- 220kV DC transmission line from Pul-e-Khumri to Kabul and a sub-station at Chimtala

42 MW Afghan-India Friendship Dam in the Herat province

SKILLING India–Afghanistan Vocational Training Centre for training youths. Women's Vocational Training Centre in Baghe-Zanana

TRANSPORT India gifted 400 buses and 200 mini-buses for mass urban transportation, 285 military vehicles for the Afghan National Army and 10 ambulances in five cities

ONGOING PROJECTS India inked an MoU with Afghanistan on the construction of Shatoot Dam to provide drinking water facilities to 2 million people in the western region

HOSPITALS AND SCHOOLS

India helped reconstruct a children's hospital, named Indira Gandhi Institute for Child Health, that was in a shambles after fighting in the area

Under a school feeding programme, 100 grams of fortified, high-protein biscuits given to nearly 2 million children on a daily basis

India spent over $5 million for the reconstruction of Habibia School in Kabul in 2003

Just 7% of our DNA unique to humans

SCIENCE

A reconstructed Neanderthal skeleton (R) and a modern human skeleton | AP

WASHINGTON: What makes humans unique? Scientists have taken another step toward solving an enduring mystery with a new tool that may allow for more precise comparisons between the DNA of modern humans and that of our extinct ancestors.

Just 7% of our genome is uniquely shared with other humans, and not shared by other early ancestors, according to a study published Friday in the journal Science Advances.

"That's a pretty small percentage," said Nathan Schaefer, a University of California computational biologist and co-author of the new paper. "This kind of finding is why scientists are turning away from thinking that we humans are so vastly different from Neanderthals."

The research draws upon DNA extracted from fossil remains of now-extinct Neanderthals and Denisovans dating back to 40,000 or 50,000 years ago, as well as from 279 modern people from around the world.

Scientists already know that modern people share some DNA with Neanderthals, but different people share different parts of the genome. One goal of the new research was to identify the genes that are exclusive to modern humans.

It's a difficult statistical problem, and the researchers "developed a valuable tool that takes account of missing data in the ancient genomes," said John Hawks, a paleoanthropologist at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, who was not involved in the research.

The researchers also found that an even smaller fraction of our genome — just 1.5% — is both unique to our species and shared among all people alive today. Those slivers of DNA may hold the most significant clues as to what truly distinguishes modern human beings.

"We can tell those regions of the genome are highly enriched for genes that have to do with neural development and brain function," said University of California, Santa Cruz computational biologist Richard Green, a co-author.

Azithromycin no better than placebo: Study

MEDICINE

A new study has found that the antibiotic azithromycin was no more effective than a placebo in preventing Covid-19 symptoms among non-hospitalised patients.

The study in the *Journal of the American Medical Association* indicated that it might increase their chance of hospitalisation, despite widespread prescription of the antibiotic for the disease.

"These findings do not support the routine use of azithromycin for outpatient SARS-CoV-2 infection," said lead author Catherine Olde from the University of California at San Francisco.

The study included 263 participants who all tested positive for SARS-CoV-2 within seven days before entering the study. None were hospitalised at the time of enrollment.

In a random selection process, 171 participants received a single, 1.2-gram oral dose and 92 received an identical placebo.

On day 14 of the study, 50% of the participants remained symptom-free in both groups. By day 21, five of the participants who received azithromycin had been hospitalised with severe symptoms and none of the placebo group had been hospitalised.

GIANT PUPPET

MOCCO, a 10-meter-tall puppet created by Japanese children from the earthquake and tsunami devastated Tohoku region, makes an appearance at an event hosted by the Tokyo Organising Committee of the Olympic and Paralympic Games in Tokyo | AP

FACT OF THE MATTER

Hubble finally gets fixed

SPACE

The Hubble Space Telescope should be back in action soon, following a remote repair job by NASA. It went dark in mid-June, with all astronomical viewing halted. NASA initially suspected a 1980s-era computer as the problem. But after the backup payload computer also failed, flight controllers focused on the science instruments' bigger command and data unit. Engineers successfully switched to the backup equipment Thursday, and the crucial payload computer kicked in. NASA said Friday that science observations should resume quickly, if everything goes well. A similar switch took place in 2008 after part of the older system failed. Hubble has made 1.5 mn observations of the universe.

Record heat in Arctic area

CLIMATE

Finland's northernmost Arctic Lapland region has recorded its hottest temperature for more than a century at 33.6°C, during a heatwave that's been afflicting the entire Nordic country for weeks. The temperature was measured Monday at Finland's northernmost Utsjoki-Kevo weather station near the border with Norway by the Finnish Meteorological Institute. The institute said there was only one higher historical measurement reported in Lapland — 34.7 C.

Dangerous fire clouds in US

WEATHER

Smoke and heat from a massive wildfire in the US state of Oregon are creating giant "fire clouds" over the blaze — dangerous columns of smoke and ash that can reach up to 10 kilometers in the sky and are visible from more than 164 km away. Authorities have put these clouds at the top of the list of the extreme fire behavior they are seeing on the Bootleg Fire, the largest wildfire burning in the US. The inferno grew to 194 km² larger than the size of New York City.

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INDUSTRIAL INNOVATION

World's first 3D-printed steel bridge unveiled in Amsterdam

ARCHITECTURE

AMSTERDAM: Dutch Queen Maxima teamed up with a small robot this week to unveil a steel 3D-printed pedestrian bridge over a canal in the heart of Amsterdam's red light district. Maxima pushed a green button that set the robot's arm in motion to cut a ribbon across the bridge with a pair of scissors.

The distinctive flowing lines of the 12-meter bridge were created using a 3D printing technique called wire and arc additive manufacturing that combines robotics with welding.

Tim Geurtjens, of the company MX3D, said the bridge showcases new possibilities of the technology.

"If you want to have a really highly decorated bridge or really aesthetic bridge, suddenly it becomes a good option to print it," he said. "Because it's not just about making things cheaper and more efficient for us, it's about giving architects and designers a new tool — a new very cool tool — in which they can rethink the design of their architecture and their designs."

The 6-ton structure will be loaded with sensors that researchers at Imperial College London will use to monitor the bridge in real time and gauge how it reacts to being used by pedestrians.

It will remain in place for two years while the bridge that previously spanned the canal is renovated.

Micha Mos, a councillor at Amsterdam municipality, said the bridge could help bring in new tourists as the the city seeks to clean up a neighborhood known for seedy clubs and noisy stag parties.

"The data from the sensors will be put into a 'digital twin' of the bridge – a computerised version which will imitate the physical bridge with growing accuracy in real time as sensor data come in," ICL said.